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Childhood cancer study abandoned

No funding for Wilmington study

By CHARITY B. LEGVOLD

WILMINGTON - Town officials recently received notification of the latest casualty in a series of State budget cuts - the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) funding for the Wilmington Childhood Cancer Study.

Citing a national economic crisis that has affected fiscal conditions throughout the country, including at State and local levels, the letter said that budget cuts recently announced by Governor Deval Patrick included a decrease of more than 10 percent in the MDPH budget. This cut included the elimination of funding of line item directives on the environmental health account, specifically the funding for the Wilmington Childhood Cancer Study.

In 1999 a group of concerned residents and the Wilmington Board of Health asked the MDPH to investigate a reported cluster of childhood cancer in Wilmington. Initial concerns focused on a number of children diagnosed with brain cancer, Hodgkin's Disease, leukemia, and non-Hodgkin's lymphoma in the Kelly Hill neighborhood on the west side of town and the town as a whole between 1990 and the present.

Concerned residents were hoping to learn if there was a connection between the elevated cancer rate and the possible contamination of drinking water through the dumping of toxic chemicals at several sites in town.

The Community Assessment Program (CAP) looked at available data going back to 1986 and found there to be a higher than normal rate of cancer in the identified area. Despite a 2002 fact sheet that said, "no specific pathway of environmental exposure has been linked to childhood cancer in Wilmington" the CAP planned to continue to investigate whether or not an environmental pathway is likely to be related to childhood cancer in Wilmington.

The next phase in the assessment was an interview process with the guardians of some children diagnosed with a cancer and also some scientifically selected families where children have not been diagnosed in order to look for any common patterns or risk factors that only appear in the children with cancer. A total of approximately 100 families participated in the interview phase.

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Wilmington's Tree Lighting took place on Saturday night at Wilmington Common. Stephen Bonish, age 9, shook hands with Santa. (photo by Maureen Lamoureux-www.shootingstarspix.com)

Familiar faces, new roles

Shelly Newhouse promoted to Health Director,
George Hooper promoted to Superintendent of Public Buildings

By CHARITY B. LEGVOLD

WILMINGTON - While most people are preparing to celebrate holidays and ring in the New Year, two Wilmington residents are preparing to step into new leadership positions as Town Manager Michael Caira announced two promotions within Town departments.

First, Caira announced that Shelly Newhouse, R.S., of Wilmington has been appointed to the position of Director of Public Health for the Town of Wilmington. Newhouse will fill a position being vacated by the retirement of Gregory Erickson who has served as Wilmington's Public Health Director since 1985.

Newhouse has been employed as the Sanitarian in the Town of

Wilmington's Public Health Department since 1996.

Caira explained, "In that capacity she has demonstrated a thorough knowledge of the laws and regulations governing the wide range of responsibility vested in a municipal health department."

Newhouse holds State and national certification as a Registered Sanitarian. She is also certified as an Environmental Health Specialist, a soil evaluator, and a Massachusetts Title 5 Inspector. Newhouse also holds several FEMA management-training certifications from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. She obtained an Associates degree in Food Science and Nutrition from

Essex Agricultural and Technical College and a BS in Environmental Geography from Salem State College.

"The promotion of Shelly Newhouse to this position is based on my belief that she has the requisite experience, leadership qualities, and technical knowledge necessary to manage this important department," said Caira. Newhouse's appointment is effective January 13, 2009.

The second promotion announced Monday night is that of George W. Hooper, II of Wilmington to the position of Superintendent of Public Buildings, a position that is opening due to the retirement of Roger Lessard who has been

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The United Methodist Choir sang on Wilmington common while waiting for Santa's arrival Saturday night. (front row): Ashley and Sandra Bonnette-Kim and Carolyn Richburg and (back): Jean Woodbury and Travis Bonnette-Kim.

(photo by Maureen Lamoureux-www.shootingstarspix.com)

A look back at Wilmington of yesteryear...

The Mayor of Wilmington

By LARZ F. NEILSON

WILMINGTON - Wilmington has never had a city form of government, but 50 years ago, the town did have a mayor, in an honorary sense. "The Mayor" was George Spanos, who used to run a restaurant in Wilmington Square, next to the depot.

There have been many wonderful, kind, generous people in town, and "The Mayor" would certainly top the list.

George Spanos was born in the city of Salonika, Greece in 1889. His father was a trader who dealt in all kinds of things,

like cattle and wool. He was elected an alderman in 1907. George and his brothers, Samuel, Thomas and William loved fishing and hunting, like all other boys.

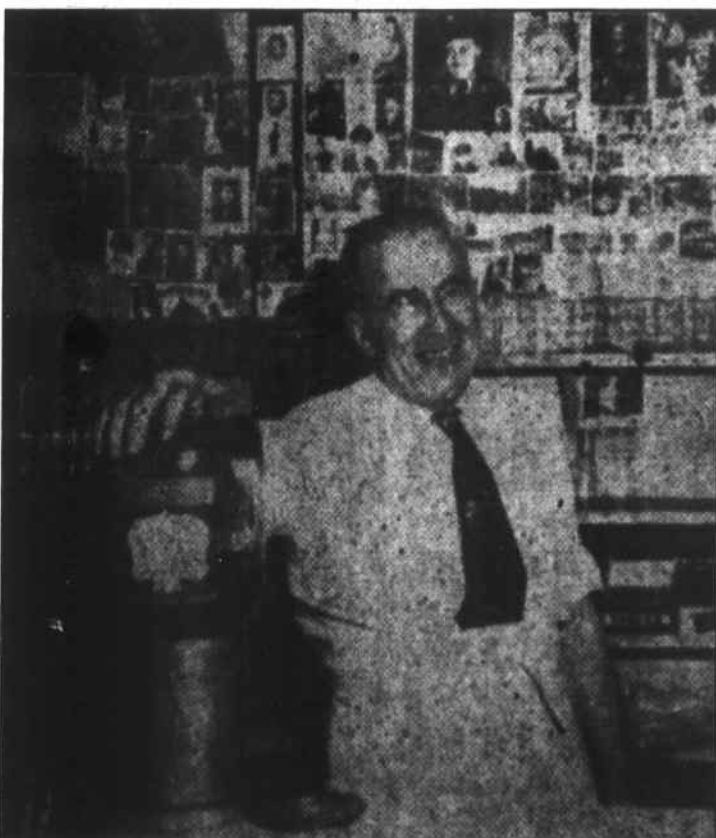
One day, the four of them were playing ball, and George noticed a man watching them from a large black buggy. On seeing George's interest, the man asked if would like to go for a ride. George was overwhelmed with joy and asked if his brothers could go along, too. The answer was yes.

After riding for some time, George asked how they would get home. The man smiled and said, "You are now captives of the Bulgarian rebels."

After the boys had been imprisoned for 14 days, their captors told George to sign a letter, asking his father for ransom. Fearing for his life and those of his brothers, he signed it.

Later in the evening came news that the rebels had won a

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George Spanos, the "Mayor of Wilmington" at the counter of his restaurant.

Billerica Power plant: Bylaw passes

Article includes Good Neighbor policies

By JAYNE W. MILLER

BILLERICA - A cheer went up amongst Billerica Special Town Meeting attendees as the representatives passed an article regulating electric generating power plant facilities. The article, proposed by Town Meeting Representative Jeanne Landers after garnering over 500 signatures, seeks to give the town more authority over the permitting of a power plant. The new bylaw, which passed 97 to 77, also includes good neighbor provisions that require the consideration of a proposal's impacts on neighboring towns.

The new bylaw requires town boards to follow a rigorous 17-point evaluation for any proposed power plant in excess of one megawatt. Those boards include the board of Selectmen, town manager, public safety, Board of Health, Conservation

Commission, Planning Board and the Board of Appeals. Further, each of those departments and committees are given the authority to review a project to determine if by its operation or construction it has to potential to result in a threat to public health and safety or the environment and then reject the project through a variety of mechanisms.

Landers, a 54 year resident of Billerica, began working on the article last spring after attending an environmental conference that encourages the practice of creating or reforming local bylaws as a mechanism to protect communities. Since then Landers refined the article several times and sought input from other community members. Several amendments were made on Town Meeting floor to protect homeowners

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Limone And Three Others Arrested, 16 More Indicted In Connection With Organized Crime Activities

140 Total Indictments Allege Illegal Bookmaking, Loan-Sharking, And Extortion Crimes

WOBURN - Four men have been arrested and 16 others indicted in connection with their involvement in two separate organized crime organizations, Middlesex District Attorney Gerry Leone informed the public today.

The following is the full press release from the District Attorney's office.

The defendants are alleged to

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have derived hundreds of thousands of dollars in illegal proceeds by their involvement in illegal bookmaking operations, with members of the first organization engaging in crimes including loan-sharking and extortion.

Peter Limone, 74, of Medford was arrested at his home in Medford at approximately 4 p.m. Thursday. Limone is accused of heading an illegal gaming organization that spans the Greater Boston area. Other members of Limone's organization arrested today were:

- Thomas Palladino, 75, of Malden
- Joseph DiPrizio, 50, of Florida
- Anthony Squillante, 73, of Boston.

All four arrested defendants were scheduled to be arraigned this morning in Woburn Superior Court.

"We allege that Mr. Limone headed an extensive organized crime ring, engaging in crimes of illegal gaming, extortion, and loan-sharking throughout Greater Boston," District Attorney Leone said. "These kinds of operations are at the

root of many crimes that corrupt the integrity of our communities and undermine public safety, and we believe that these indictments should greatly deter those illegal activities. Today's actions are the result of an extensive investigation by the Massachusetts State Police Special Services Section and attorneys in our PACT Unit, and I want to thank all of them for their outstanding work. Our investigation continues into these crimes and the scope of these organizations."

The investigation, conducted by Massachusetts State Police Special Services Division and attorneys from the Middlesex District Attorney's PACT Unit, uncovered activities associated with two crime rings - one headed by Limone and the other headed by Steven Contrada, 54, of Wilmington.

In the Limone organization, it is alleged that numerous "agents" utilized the organization to make layoff bets for customers. The Limone organization was highly structured.

At the top of the organization was Limone, who exercised control over the organization's agents, had others serve as a buffer between him and the agents, made key decisions for the organization over how credit would be extended and to whom, and directed how the members would conduct business and how proceeds from its illegal activities would be distributed.

Limone rarely ever used the telephone, controlling the operation through a series of subordinates who, when they spoke of him, used nicknames including "the Camera Guy" and "Chief Crazy Horse," the DA's office states.

Squillante allegedly served as the intermediary between Limone and many agents in the organization, conducting face-to-face meetings and exchanging thousands of dollars in cash between Limone and others.

DiPrizio, whose principle place of business was run out of Florida, allegedly served as the "office manager" of the central "booking office." Each day before the sporting events began, the agents or their customers would call in their bets to DiPrizio.

DiPrizio was responsible for keeping the organization's written records of bets won and lost, and money owed by various parties. Agents and customers used

codenames, including combinations of letters and numbers, in order to conceal their identities.

It is alleged that DiPrizio took hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of bets on a wide range of sporting events, including football, baseball, basketball and horseracing.

Palladino was the organization's primary "runner" for Limone and Squillante, handling its payments and collections of debts owed.

Palladino was observed and monitored on numerous occasions meeting with various agents in public parking lots around Middlesex County, delivering or receiving tens of thousands of dollars in illegal gaming monies, and discussing outstanding "figures" or gambling debts.

The Limone organization is accused of generating proceeds through three schemes - gambling revenue, loansharking, and extortion. The gambling revenue was generated through agents making and collecting layoff bets, with the Limone organization taking a percentage of the profits.

A second scheme was through "loansharking," charging usurious (illegally high) rates of interest on unpaid gaming debts owed to the organization. This practice of charging exceedingly high interest made it nearly impossible for many individuals in debt to the organization to pay their way out of the debt.

Finally, it is also alleged that the Limone organization collected what they termed "rent" (extortion) payments from at least four other unaffiliated bookmakers operating in and around the Limone territory in Greater Boston.

These individuals were instructed that they would have to make cash payments each and every month in exchange for being allowed to conduct their own illegal gaming business without interference.

The bookmakers were made to understand that the demand for payment came from members of organized crime.

They were also made to understand that the only alternative to paying the Limone organization would be to shut down their gaming operations altogether. As a result, it is alleged that each of the four bookmakers paid tens of thousands of dollars in extortionate proceeds.

On March 28, State Police executed a series of search warrants at locations used by the Limone organization, including at 30 Almont Street, Limone's Medford residence. Seized that day was contraband and evidence of illegal activity.

It is alleged that this illegal activity by Limone and others continued following that date despite the fact that they were on notice of the criminal investigation.

The Contrada organization was much less structured, with nearly all members, including Contrada, directly serving customers as bookmaking agents in some capacity. The members of the Contrada organization are charged with crimes associated with illegal gaming, and not loan-sharking (usury) or extortion crimes.

A summary of the 140 indictments returned by a Middlesex Grand Jury today are as follows:

"Limone Organization"
• Peter Limone, 74, of Medford
Charges: Attempted Extortion

(four counts), criminal usury, organizing a gambling syndicate, keeping a gaming house, conspiracy to commit extortion, conspiracy to commit criminal usury, conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming (misdemeanor)

• Anthony Squillante, 73, of Boston

Charges: Attempted Extortion (four counts), criminal usury, organizing a gambling syndicate, conspiracy to commit extortion, conspiracy to commit criminal usury, conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming

• Thomas Palladino, 75, of Malden

Charges: Attempted Extortion (four counts), criminal usury (two counts), organizing a gambling syndicate, keeping a gaming house, conspiracy to commit extortion, conspiracy to commit criminal usury (two counts), conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, using a telephone for gaming, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming

• Joseph A. DiPrizio, Jr., 50, of Florida

Charges: Attempted Extortion (four counts), criminal usury, organizing a gambling syndicate, conspiracy to commit extortion, conspiracy to commit criminal usury, conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming, using a telephone for gaming

• Mario Marquardo, 59, of Salem

Charges: Organizing a gambling syndicate, criminal usury, conspiracy to commit criminal usury, conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming, using a telephone for gaming

• Ralph Ventola, 42, of Boston

Charges: Organizing a gambling syndicate, conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, conspiracy to keep a gaming house

• John Zedros, 48, of Belmont

Charges: Organizing a gambling syndicate, keeping a gaming house, conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, using a telephone for gaming, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming, solicitation to commit a felony

• Dominic Serino, 70, of Reading

Charges: Organizing a gambling syndicate, keeping a gaming house, conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, using a telephone for gaming, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming

• Alfred Stankus, 61, of Brighton

Charges: Conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming, using a telephone for gaming

"Contrada Organization"

• Steven Contrada, 54, of Wilmington

Charges: Organizing a gambling syndicate, conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, keeping a gaming house, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, using a telephone for gaming, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming

• John Miccichi, 55, of Malden
Charges: Organizing a gambling syndicate, conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, keeping a gaming house, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, possession of a firearm in commission of a felony, possession of a firearm and ammunition (four counts), using a telephone for gaming, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming, subsequent gaming offense

• Raymond Suppa, 48, of Everett

Charges: Organizing a gambling syndicate, conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, keeping a gaming house, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, using a telephone for gaming, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming

• Pasquale Cambria, 73, of Stoneham

Charges: Organizing a gambling syndicate, conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, keeping a gaming house, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, using a telephone for gaming, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming

• Dominic Santoro, 63, of Marston Mills

Charges: Conspiracy to organize and promote gambling (two counts), conspiracy to keep a gaming house (two counts), using a telephone for gaming, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming (two counts)

• Joseph Cirame, 49, of Everett

Charges: Organizing a gambling syndicate, conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, using a telephone for gaming, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming

• Stephen Agrippino, 44, of Medford

Charges: Organizing a gambling syndicate, keeping a gaming house, conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming, using a telephone for gaming

• Mark Evans, 48, of Medford

Charges: Organizing a gambling syndicate, conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, using a telephone for gaming, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming

• Paolo Tizzano, 39, of Boston

Charges: Conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, using a telephone for gaming, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming

• Robert F. Cash, 68, of Lynn

Charges: Conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, using a telephone for gaming, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming

• Frederick Sarno, 70, of Boston

Charges: Conspiracy to organize and promote gambling, conspiracy to keep a gaming house, using a telephone for gaming, conspiracy to use a telephone for gaming

These charges are allegations, and the defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

The case is being investigated by the Massachusetts State Police Special Services Section and attorneys in the Middlesex District Attorney's PACT Unit. It is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorneys John Verner and David Solet of the PACT Unit.

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Letters to the editor

Santa Claus is coming to town!

To the Editor:

I wanted to let your readers know that for the 37th year, I was invited by the Recreation Department to spend an evening with the children of Wilmington. Debbie, Linda and Karen had an area in Town Hall decorated and set aside for me to welcome children, read their lists and see just how much they have changed since last year!

Jim Buckley was on hand to capture my visit on film so that children left with a picture of the two of us to remember the event. Cilla, Melissa and Robin were there to welcome the children and hand out treats to all.

I would like to thank Michael, Sara, Ravi, Jake, Atley, Layne, Emily, Evan, Eric, Evan, Patrick, Olivia, Alexander, Adam, Steven, Megan, Camden, Kyle, Braeden, Nolan, Rita, Rose, Jill, Theresa, Colleen, Robert, Thomas, Rose,

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I will be back in Wilmington in a few days. I look forward to visiting with you again next year.

Merry Christmas to all!
Santa Claus
North Pole

Holiday Social success

Dear Editor,

Once again, the dedicated "Friends of the Harnden Tavern" held a very festive "Holiday Social".

The Wilmington Historical Commission thanks these ladies for the countless hours they spent planning, baking, decorating, and hosting this event. The many visitors were very impressed by the beautiful colonial Christmas decorations

throughout the Tavern.

This annual event, which has occurred for over 30 years, would not have been possible without the hard work of a few very special volunteers.

The Wilmington Historical Commission wishes them and everyone in Wilmington a very happy holiday season.

Sincerely,
Wilmington
Historical Commission

Hard work appreciated

Dear Editor,

Now, with the Presidential Election behind us, I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to some of the people whose support and effort made this historic event a success. From the Clerk's office and the poll workers who kept the record breaking number of voters moving, to the custodial staff and the Public Buildings Department for setting up each

voting location and seeing to our every need during the election process. I wanted to take this time to give some recognition and show our appreciation to some of the behind-the-scenes people that help get the job done.

Sincerely,
Alice Hooper,
Chairperson
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prevent injuries to the mail carriers as well as family members.

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The employees of the Wilmington Post Office wish you a safe and happy holiday season.



Wilmington Cooks

by Paula Murphy

Kristen Walsh grew up in Wilmington and always knew that someday she wanted to raise her family here. "I loved growing up here and have many wonderful memories, so I knew when we decided to have a family it would be the perfect place for us," Kristen, a second grade teacher at Shawsheen Elementary School, says. Now she and her husband Tom, whom she met in college, live here with their one-year-old son, Cullen. She and Tom are co-owners of the new restaurant, the Georgetown Grille in Georgetown, which according to a recent review is "wowing customers" with its great food, drink, and atmosphere.

On the weekends, Kristen enjoys experimenting in the kitchen and perfecting the dishes she serves at Sunday family gatherings. "It can become a little hectic cooking dinner for a lot of people, but I think it's very important to have quality time with your family. Many people are too busy to enjoy sit-down dinners during the week, so we make it a priority to be together on

Sundays," Kristen explains. Her family has enjoyed many meals and memories together. Here are some of their favorites, which she hopes you'll try.

Sweet Potato Casserole

3 cups of sweet potatoes, boiled and mashed
1 cup sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 eggs, well beaten
1 stick butter
1 cup brown sugar
1/3 cup flour
1 cup chopped pecans
1/3 cup stick butter melted
Combine last four ingredients for the topping and set aside.

Combine the mashed sweet potatoes with the sugar, salt, vanilla, eggs and butter until thoroughly mixed. Pour mixture into a buttered casserole dish. Sprinkle the topping mixture evenly over the potatoes. Bake for 30 minutes at 350 degrees. Allow to set for at least 30 minutes before serving.

Chicken Devine

4 boneless, skinless chicken

breasts

4 slices of Swiss cheese
1 can cream of chicken soup
1/4 cup white wine
1 cup stuffing mix, crushed
1/4 cup butter, melted
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
2 tablespoons grated

Parmesan cheese

Arrange chicken breasts in a lightly greased large baking pan. Top each breast with a slice of Swiss cheese. In a small bowl, combine cream of chicken soup and white wine; stir well. Spoon the sauce over the chicken breasts and sprinkle with crushed stuffing mix. Drizzle melted butter over the stuffing and sprinkle with garlic powder and Parmesan cheese. Bake for 45-55 minutes at 350 degrees until chicken is cooked.

Peanut Butter-Chocolate Molten Cake (a family favorite)

4 squares semi-sweet baking chocolate

1 stick butter
1 cup powdered sugar
2 whole eggs

2 egg yolks
6 tablespoons flour
4 ounces softened cream cheese
3 tablespoons peanut butter
2 tablespoons brown sugar
1/4 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 cup thawed Cool Whip

Microwave chocolate and butter in large bowl for approx. 1-2 minutes or until chocolate is almost melted. Stir with wire whisk until chocolate is completely melted. Stir in powdered sugar, then blend in whole eggs and egg yolks. Stir in flour; set aside. Mix cream cheese, peanut butter, brown sugar and vanilla until well blended. Pour half of the chocolate mixture into a greased baking dish; cover with peanut butter mixture. Top with remaining chocolate mixture. Bake for 20 minutes at 425 degrees (edge should be set and center slightly soft). Cool slightly and serve with Cool Whip.

Paula welcomes your family stories and favorite recipes. Please send them to her at paula.wilmingtoncooks@hotmail.com.



Letter to the editor

Service to the community

(editor's note: for the second year, the Wilmington Interact Club - a youth organization of Wilmington High School students connected to the Wilmington Rotary Club - raked leaves for a number of senior citizens in town. The following letter was sent to Ken Vassallo, this year's Interact President. It is being published here with

the permission of the author.)

Dear Kenny,

Your program of leaf removal from the homes of needy seniors was a great blessing to me, due to the fact that my son died on November 2nd.

I was most thankful and very grateful that you relieved my concern, when the

young people cleaned up my yard on a very cold and windy day.

This is a much-appreciated service provided by our town's young people.

Again, a great big thank you.

Most sincerely,
Nola Hamlin
Wilmington



Wilmington High School students showed up in force on a cold and windy Saturday morning two weeks ago to rake leaves for senior citizens in a program put on by the Interact Club.

(Left) Lisa Rooker, Brett Muse, Mike Scola, Scott Bonish, Mike Cliricosta, Jon Spurr, Cole Carter, Ryan Parker, Dave Golden finish up a hard day's work.

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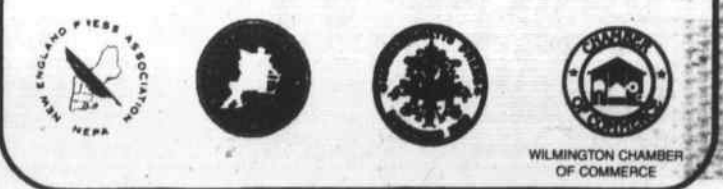
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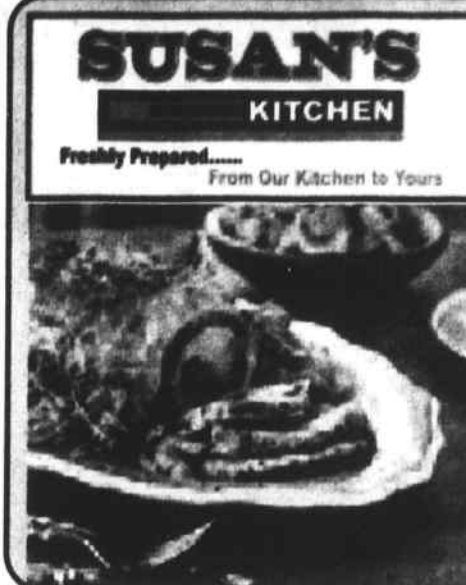
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Tewksbury residents earn prestigious scholarship at Shawsheen Tech

BILLERICA -On Monday, Dec. 8, 16 Tewksbury residents were recognized at Shawsheen Valley Technical High School for earning the prestigious John and Abigail Adams Scholarship. The students represented just a portion of the 66 Shawsheen Tech students that received the honor.

The scholarships are non-need state-supported undergraduate tuition waivers for students that are awarded the Abigail Adams Scholarships

by the Department of Education.

To be eligible, students were in the highest 25 percent of the Shawsheen Tech school district based on their scores on the 10th grade Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS). Winners were required to score advanced in either the math or English Language Arts section of the exam and finish proficient or advanced in the second subject.

"We're really excited about it," said Christine Shaw, guidance director at Shawsheen Tech. "We think it's great that 66 of our students were able to achieve this. A number of them finished advanced in both [categories]. We're very proud of our students."

The Tewksbury students honored include Zachary Ardizzone, Laci Dogherty, Erica Elliott, Michale Ferino, Stephanie Gath, Shannon Hamlyn, David Higgins, Shawna Jellison, Kyle

Lacroix, Jessica Lee, Harliegh Lentz, Calvin McMillan, Ashley Pondelli, Elizabeth Rufo, Justine Sachetta and Haleigh Silva.

Members of the group can now receive free tuition for all four years if they attend a University of Massachusetts campus or a participating state or community college starting in the fall of 2009.

"It's not everything, but it certainly counts for something in this economy," said Shaw. "This speaks very well for our towns also."

Last year, 47 Shawsheen Tech students were John and Abigail Adams Scholarship winners.

Shawsheen Tech will be hosting a Financial Aide Night on Jan. 8 starting at 7 p.m.

The evening will be attended by college representatives that explain the details of being eligible and receiving financial aid at a college or university.

Call 978-667-2111 for more information.



Let's Hear it!!

Your Two Cents...



A thumbs up to Amanda. Her sweet 16 birthday was held recently and, in lieu of gifts, she asked friends to donate to Toys for Tots. The Marine Corp generously accepted "tons" of gifts thanks to her generous spirit. Wilmington



Congratulations to Shelly Newhouse and George Hooper for their recent promotions at Town Hall. And a big thumbs up to the Town of Wilmington for doing such a great job in consistently grooming competent people for promotions from within. That is truly a sign of great upper management. Wilmington



Happy Birthday and Merry Christmas to Amanda Keane. You are truly an inspiration to us all. Wilmington

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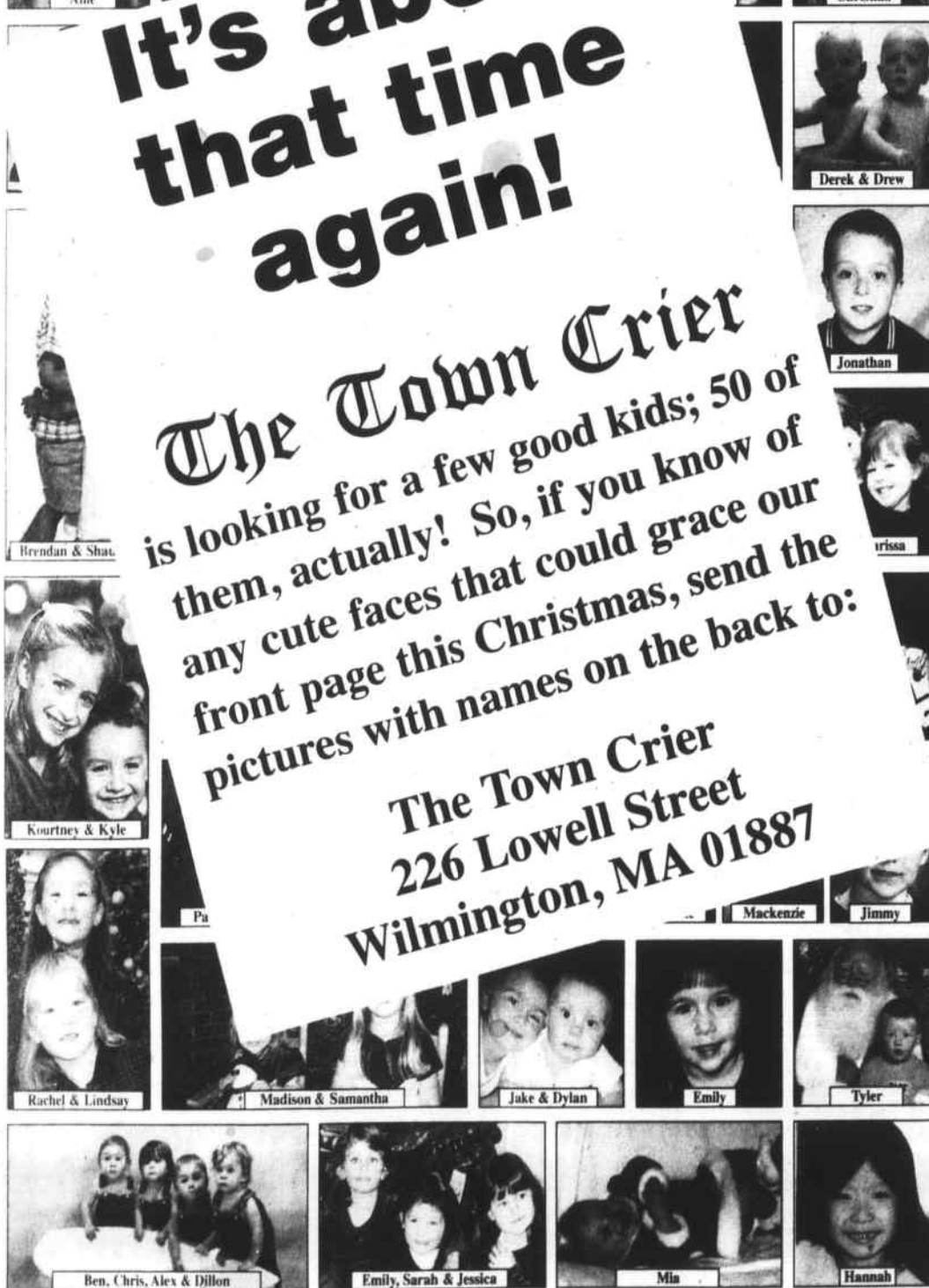
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It's about that time again!

The Town Crier is looking for a few good kids; 50 of them, actually! So, if you know of any cute faces that could grace our front page this Christmas, send the pictures with names on the back to:

The Town Crier
226 Lowell Street
Wilmington, MA 01887



Deadline for pictures is
Wednesday, December 17th
at 2:00 P.M.



Want your opinion heard?

Send your Two Cents to:

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All submissions must be accompanied by contact information for verification purposes.

All submissions chosen for publication will be done so anonymously.

Community Calendar

send your item to:

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Wilmington

Dec. 1 - Dec. 22: Wilmington Children can receive a letter from Mr. Claus! Stop by the Rec. Dept. between Dec. 1 and 22.

Fri. Dec. 12 and Sat. Dec. 13: Jean Cornerford will capture your child's silhouette for a great keepsake of gift. \$29 per silhouette, \$10 per cop; framing costs \$24-\$36. 20% of cost of each will be donated to the Friends of the Library. Call 978-694-2099 if interested.

Sat. Dec. 13- Jan. 10: 4-week Kinder Basketball offered at West Intermediate School Cafeteria for \$30. For more info, call 978-658-4270.

Sat. Dec. 13 - Sat. Feb. 14: 11 a.m. TOP Sports program for special needs ages 3 - 18 at North Intermediate School Cafeteria. Email Niki Wilson at auntini2007@verizon.net for info. \$20.

Sun. Dec. 14: The Wilm. Rec. Dept. has tickets for the 5 p.m. showing of "How the Grinch Stole Christmas." Cost which includes seat and transportation is \$77. Call (978) 658-4270 for more info.

Wed. Dec. 17: 3-4:30 pm. Teens in grades 6-12 invited to build gingerbread houses. Register starting Dec. 1. DSign up at www.wilmlibrary.org or call 978-694-2098.

Tues. Dec. 30: 7:30 p.m. REc. Dept. hosts trip to Disney's High School Musical 2 at N.S. Music Theatre. Price reduction:

\$57 for Inner Circle Seat or \$47 for an Upper Circle seat. Call 978-658-4270 for more info.

Tues. & Thurs. Jan 6 - Feb 12: 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Water Aerobics offered at Shaw. Tech Pool. \$72. For more info, call 978-658-4270.

Jan. 10 - Feb. 14: Register by Monday, December 1 for Junior Basketball for grades 1 & 2 at the Shawsheen School Gym. For more info, call 978-658-4270.

Tewksbury Now - Dec. 15: Local dentists host food drive. Food can be dropped off at Drs. Cooper, Spiller, Nahata, and Lubinsky at 1418 Main Street. Deadline is 11 a.m. on December 15.

Thurs. Dec. 11: 7 - 8 p.m. Auditions for the February Cole Porter Production at the Senior Center. Auditions will take place in the Atrium of the Senior enter, open to all.

Thurs. Dec. 11: 1 p.m. Monthly Support Group Meeting for those affected by the loss of a loved one hosted by Diane Blank, MVH Support Group Leader at the Senior Center.

Fri. Dec. 12: The Council on Aging and Friends of the Elderly holds Annual Senior Center Christmas Dinner, \$15. Ticket sales will close on Friday, December 5 at 2 p.m.

Mon. Dec. 15: Senior Center trip to Stoneham Zoo to see the Christmas lights display, \$10, contact Senior Center.

Wed. Dec. 17: Red Hat

Carnation Belles will hold a Christmas Dinner at the Senior Center. Tickets cost \$25 per Belle. Tickets not available after Wednesday, December 10.

Mon. Dec. 29: Dr. Smith will conduct a podiatry clinic at the Senior Center/ \$15, limited registration.

Wed. Dec. 31: New Year's Eve Party at the Senior Center, reserve tickets quickly!

Methuen Fri. Dec. 12: 8 p.m. Opening night of North Regional Theater's production of "Home for the Holidays" in the Great Hall of Methuen's Nevins' Memorial Library. Tickets cost \$20 (Balcony)/\$25 (Cabaret style). Additional shows: Sat. Dec. 13: 8 p.m., Sun. Dec. 13: 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Visit www.nrtwinc.com for more info.

Acton Jan 8, 15, 22: 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Colonial Spirit Chorus offers free vocal lesson, \$10 for materials. Regular rehearsals held THURSDAY evenings at 7:15 p.m. at the Church of the God Shepherd on NEWtown Road in Acton. Visit www.colonialspirit.org.

Wakefield Sat. Dec. 13: Linden Tree COffee house presents a night of contemporary blues and contry featuring Les Sampou and David Jacobs-Strain, \$15. Located in teh social hall of the Unitarian-Universalist Church, 236 Main Street.



back row: Stephanie and Kristina Nicoli and Molli Griffin with front row: Abbi, Emma and Hanna Griffin with their dog Ziggy enjoyed a night on Wilmington common during the tree lighting on Saturday night.

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Tuesday: Mozzarella Sticks w/ marinara sauce, sweet peas, bread stick, pears.

Wednesday: Turkey w/ gravy, whipped potato, carrots, whole wheat roll, cranberry sauce.

Elementary: Hard Taco with Seasoned meat, shredded cheese, lettuce, tomato, salsa, brown rice, peach- es.

Thursday: Popcorn chicken, garlic noodles, broccoli, mixed fruit.

Friday: "Sal's" Pizza, tossed salad w/ low fat dressing, Orange wedges.

Middle School & High School

Monday: Hot dog on a roll, Tater tots, Applesauce w/ cinnamon.

Tuesday: French Toast sticks w/ syrup, sausage links, juice, pears.

Wednesday: Hard or soft Taco with Seasoned meat, shredded cheese, lettuce, tomato, salsa, brown rice, peach- es.

Thursday: Teriyaki Chicken Nuggets, brown rice "Chef Palen's" fresh stir fry vegetables, pineapple, cookie.

Friday: "Sal's" Pizza, tossed salad w/ low fat dressing, Orange wedges.

TEWKSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

K-4
Monday: Macaroni & Cheese, Veg. of the day, Dinner Roll, fruit or juice, milk.

Tuesday: Candy cane chicken nuggets, Tater Tots w/ ketchup Veg. of the day, fruit or juice, milk.

Wednesday: Spaghetti w. meat sauce, toss salad w/ dressing, garlic dinner roll, cup of fruit, milk.

Thursday: Tomato soup w/ crackers, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Salad w/ dressing Chocolate Chip Cookie, fruit or juice, milk.

Friday: 3 x 5 Pizza Wedge, Garden Salad w/ dressing, seasoned pasta, fruit, milk.

5-12

Monday: Cheese Quesadilla, Spicy potato wedges, toss salad w/ dressing, salsa / S. cream, fruit or juice, milk.

Tuesday: Candy cane chicken nuggets, Tater Tots w/ ketchup Veg. of the day, fruit or juice, milk.

Wednesday: Spaghetti w. meat sauce, toss salad w/ dressing, garlic dinner roll, cup of fruit, milk.

Thursday: Tomato soup w/ crackers, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Salad w/ dressing Chocolate Chip Cookie, fruit or juice, milk.

Friday: Totally Taco Pizza wedge, garden salad w/ dressing, seasoned pasta, fruit, milk.

SHAWSHEEN TECH

Monday: Sal's pizza square (whole wheat), chicken parm. sandwich on whole wheat roll, sliced turkey rollup w/low fat mayo, romaine/sliced tomato, oven fries, Caesar salad plate/teriyaki chicken w/low fat dressing, salad w/low fat dressing.

Tuesday: Sub roll w/meatballs, sauce, grilled chicken on whole wheat roll, ham and cheese on bulkie romaine/sliced tomato, potato puffs, salad plate w/spicychicken w/low fat dressing, salad w/low fat dressing.

Wednesday: French Bread Pizza, grilled chicken buffalo on WW roll, SI turkey rollup w/ low fat mayo, Romaine / SI Tomato, potato salad, salad plate chef

Thursday: Sub roll w/meatball and sauce, bacon burger on bulkie roll, ham and cheese on bulkie, romaine/sliced tomato, French fries, salad plate w/honey mustard w/low fat dressing, salad w/low fat dressing.

Friday: Baked fish, whole wheat bread, chicken Fajita Sub, sliced turkey rollup w/low fat mayo romaine/sliced tomato, pasta salad, pasta salad plate w/spicy chicken wings w/low fat dressing, salad w/low fat dressing

Post Office asks customers to mail early; offers mailing tips

With the volume of cards, letters and packages expected to mushroom with the countdown to the holidays, Postmasters Charles T. "Chuck" Nichols, Wilmington, and Joanna M. Louf, Tewksbury, advise customers to mail early.

"Our goal is to provide quick, easy and convenient service to accept and deliver increased holiday mail volumes at our normal year-round service levels to make your holidays magical," they said, adding: "Although we have taken extra measures to handle the added volume, we are asking customers to mail early to avoid a backup of mail the last days before Christmas."

U.S. Postal Service customers will bring nearly 20 billion mailpieces to Post Offices throughout the country during the holiday season, Thanksgiving through Christmas.

The postal officials said customers can help speed Post Office transactions by providing retail clerks with full information on packages, such as requirements for insurance, delivery confirmation, and desired time for package arrival.

Other helpful mailing tips to avoid glitches include:

-Write, type or print delivery address neatly.

-Always use a return address.

-Always use complete address information, such as Ave., Blvd. and St. Use the apartment number or suite number as well as correct directionals, such as N, W and SW.

-Don't let an incorrect ZIP

Code delay delivery of cards and letters. Local Post Offices and the Postal Service website-www.usps.com-offer ZIP Code information, as does the National Call Center, 1-800-275-8777.

-Select a container that is strong enough to protect the contents. Leave space for cushioning inside the carton.

-Always use tape that is designed for shipping, such as pressure-sensitive tape, nylon-reinforced craft paper tape or glass-reinforced pressure-sensitive tape.

-Plain air-popped popcorn, shredded or rolled newspaper, bubble wrap or Styrofoam peanuts work well for cushioning contents.-The only addresses on packages for mailing should be the delivery and return addresses. TIP: Place a return address label inside the package.

-Carefully pack glass and fragile hollow items, like vases, with newspaper or packing material to avoid damage due to shock. When mailing framed photographs, take the glass out of the frame and wrap it separately.

-Packages that weigh 13 ounces or more must be taken to the Post Office for mailing.

They said the Postal Service's website at www.usps.com can prove to be a helpful resource during this holiday season, offering a wide variety of links to mailing and shipping tools.

"The holidays are here, and we want to make sure your mail is delivered on time. Just help us by mailing early," they said.



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Beefeater Gin	1.75 L	\$26.99	Johnny Walker Red	1.75 L	\$31.99
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OBITUARIES

Helen L. Peak

Formerly of Wilmington

CHANDLER, AZ - Helen L. Peak, 97, of Chandler, AZ, passed away November 18, 2008. Prior to moving to Arizona, Helen was a resident of Wilmington, MA.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 43 years, Walter, sons Richard and Robert, daughter Audrey, granddaughter Elizabeth, and great granddaughter Rose. Helen is survived by son Donald Peak and wife Diane of Wilmington, MA, daughter Elaine (Peak) Mulno and husband Richard of Chandler, AZ, daughter-in-laws Aileen Morrill and Grace Morrill, along with 10 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren and 2 great great grandchildren.



A memorial service will be held on December 13, 2008 at the Wilmington United Methodist Church at 87 Church Street at 11:00 a.m.

Winchester Hospital's Community Health Institute to offer Flu Clinic Dec. 17

WINCHESTER - Every year more than 200,000 people are hospitalized and approximately 35,000 die from the flu, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

To help fight influenza, Winchester Hospital's Community Health Institute will be offering a community flu clinic for adults from 1 to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 17 at Baldwin Park I, Suite 207, 12 Alfred St. in Woburn.

Between 5 and 20 percent of the U.S. population gets the flu each year. Senior citizens, young children and people with chronic health conditions are particularly vulnerable to serious flu complications.

Influenza, which is a contagious respiratory illness, can lead to serious health conditions, such as pneumonia, bronchitis, and sinus and ear infections.

The strains of the influenza virus change nearly every year, which is why an annual vaccine is recommended. Vaccination is the best defense against the flu.

The cost for Winchester Hospital's community flu clinic is \$22 per person. Cash, check, Visa or MasterCard will be accepted. For more information, please call Winchester Hospital's Community Health Institute at (781) 756-4700.

Got Bookies on your shopping list?

WILMINGTON - This year many of us are thinking long and hard about the giving season, trying to get back to an easier, less materialistic time.

With the economy as poor as it's been, despite the lower gas prices, our dollars aren't stretching as far as they need to. The Book Store Next Door, to the Wilmington Memorial Library, 183 Middlesex Ave., will give you an amazing bang for your buck, as the saying goes.

Money spent here too has the added value of coming back to you in the library services. Your donations stock our shelves, get sent to the Troops, get delivered to children's literacy programs, and get perpetuated through additional sales

and reading opportunities.

Nothing is wasted. Holidays are for thinking of family and friends and for very short money, you can find teacher's gifts, stocking stuffers, clean fiction and non-fiction (which could pass as brand new often).

All CDs are now \$1.00 - it's a challenge to keep up with the new technology! We do still carry classic videos. Check out the holiday shelves for both adult and children's materials.

For the next three weekends the store will be open Saturday AND Sunday, 10-4, for shopping and donating. Please contact Leslie Dietrich, 978.657.6536 or lesd4@verizon.net with your questions. Thank you all for your support.

Mark C. Robinson

Past Captain Wilmington Minutemen; member Aleppo Minutemen, Friendship Lodge, Wilmington

ANDOVER - Mark C. Robinson, 62, of Andover died Sunday, December 7, 2008 at his residence.

Mark is survived by his wife Mary (Reardon) Robinson of Andover, his son Mark C. Robinson and Kristen Fisher both of South Hadley Mass and his grandson Cameron M. Wilcox of Presque Isle Maine. He is also survived by his mother, Mimi (Louise) DeMallie of Kennebunkport, Maine, two sisters Anne Robinson of Kennebunkport Maine and Sarah Robinson of Manchester NH. Also among his survivors are his two brothers David Robinson of Davis California and Toby Robinson and his wife Maureen of Brookline, MA as well as many nieces and nephews.

Mark was predeceased by his father T. Dudley Robinson and his sister Kathy Robinson.

Mark was born in Boston MA on July 11, 1946. He graduated from Brooks School in North Andover and Boston University. He was employed at the law firm of Choate, Hall and Stewart in Boston as Manager of Records and Conflicts. In his

field he was a member of ARMA, NMA and AIIM and served as treasurer and secretary for these chapters and was a charter member and past president of AIIM from 1975-1976. He was awarded AIIM's Distinguished Service Citation in 1981 and was honored as a AIIM Fellow in 1993. He served on the Standards Committee for International for many years.

Mark was also a Mason and belonged to lodges in Wilmington and Andover as well as the Wilmington and Aleppo Minutemen.

A funeral service will be offered on Thursday at 11 AM at Christ Church in Andover. Burial will follow in West Parish Cemetery also in Andover. Family and friends may call on Wednesday from 4-8 p.m. at the Conte Funeral Home 28 Florence Street Andover.

Donations can also be made in his memory to the Dana Farber Cancer Institute Division of Development and The Jimmy Fund 10 Brookline Place West Floor 6 Brookline Mass 02445-9924



Linda Covino presented Dana Owens, Executive Director for Habitat For Humanity of Greater Lowell, a check for \$14,000 on behalf of the Dancers of Season 2 of Dancing with the Realtors. A reception was held on Wednesday night at Vintner's Cellar in Wilmington where Owens accepted this donation.

(photo by Maureen Lamoureux-www.shootingstarspix.com)

Rosemary Sias

Worked for several schools; Memorial Dec. 14th

MARLBOROUGH, NH - Rosemary Sias, 67, of Marlborough, NH and, most recently, residing in Moultonborough, NH, died peacefully on December 2, 2008, at her sister's home after a brief illness. She was born on June 27, 1941 in Joliet, IL. She graduated from Reading Memorial High School (MA) in 1959 and attended Modern School of Fashion and Design in Boston. She lived for many years in Massachusetts, and spent summers on Lake Winnepesaukee in New Hampshire. While raising her three children, she worked at Tufts University in Medford, MA for several years and Lawrence Academy in Groton, MA, as well as several other office positions. She also enjoyed working at Oak Meadow Montessori School in Littleton, MA, as well as volunteering her time as a Reiki practitioner at Cheshire Medical Center in Keene, NH.

She is survived by her husband, Jay Francis of Marlborough, NH, her son, Daniel and daughter-in-law, Elizabeth Condon of Ayer, MA, her son, Douglas and daughter-in-law, Theresa Condon of Ayer, MA, her daughter, Sharon and son-in-law, Andrew Kierstead of Alton Bay, NH, her former husband and father of their children, Robert Condon of Arcadia, FL, her sister, Gerry Ann and brother-in-law, Donald McGillicuddy of Moultonborough, NH, a step-daughter Deborah Francis and her husband Eric Kampf of Stow, MA and a step-son Jonathan Francis and his wife Deanna Dunn of Medford, MA, two nephews, a niece, eight grandchildren, four step-grandchildren and two great-grand-



children, as well as many other family members, friends and those whose lives she touched with her kindness.

Over the years, she enjoyed sewing, freehand drawing and skiing, and more recently, walking, gardening, yoga and the healing arts. She also enjoyed her time in the New Ipswich, NH and Marlborough, NH school systems in the Special Education field. She treasured the time she spent with each of her grandchildren, Jake and Clint Condon, Luke and his wife, Lianna Condon and their two children Selah and Hosea, Amy, Russell and Brendan Condon, and Hunter and Tucker Kierstead.

In celebration of her life, friends are invited to a memorial service and reception on Sunday, December 14, 2008 at 1:00 PM at the Searles School and Chapel, 35 Range Road, Windham, NH. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her memory to DES Action USA, 187 Via Catalunha, Jupiter, FL 33458 (desaction.org), or to Community Health & Hospice, 780 North Main Street, Laconia, NH 03246 or your local hospice agency.

Join the fun, the music, the friendship

If you love to sing Colonial Spirit Chorus have a place for you! They will be holding free vocal lesson on January 8th, 15th and 22nd from 7:30-8:30 p.m. before their regular rehearsals. There will be a \$10.00 fee for materials.

Colonial Spirit Chorus is an a cappella four part harmony show chorus, affiliated with Sweet Adelines International

and partially funded by Quantech.

Rehearsals are held on Thursday evenings at 7:15 p.m. at the Church of the Good Shepard on Newtown Road (off rte. 27) in Acton. For information call Norma 978-692-2270 or Noreen 978-263-0562 or email colspirit@colonialspirit.org. You can also go to their website www.colonialspirit.org

19th Annual Burbank YMCA 5K Classic a success

READING - A windy and bitter cold Saturday morning was not a deterrent for the 167 runners that made it out for the 19th Annual Burbank YMCA 5K Classic. These enthusiastic runners completed a 5 kilometer loop around Lake Quannapowitt finishing at the Wakefield Common. Little ones also had a chance to show their speed in the 1/2 mile Kids Fun Run and 100 yard Tot Trot.

Jim Johnson of Salem was the overall male winner with a time of 15 minutes and 58 seconds and Andrea Garipay of Melrose was the overall female winner with a time of 20 minutes and 44

seconds.

Proceeds from the race benefited the Burbank YMCA Reach Out for Youth Program. A total of \$4,000 was raised from the race and will be used to provide financial assistance for families and children in the communities of Reading, North Reading, Wilmington, Wakefield, and Stoneham.

For more information about the Burbank YMCA 5K Classic or to make a donation to the Reach Out Campaign call 781-944-9622 or visit www.ymcaboston.org/burbank <<http://www.ymcaboston.org/burbank>>.

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Tuesday: Ham slice with pineapple, sweet potato, carrots, oatmeal bread, smoothie.

Wednesday: Macaroni & cheese, stewed tomato, French bread, apricots.

Thursday: Roast turkey w/gravy, whipped potato, butternut squash, whole wheat roll, cranberry sauce, cookie.

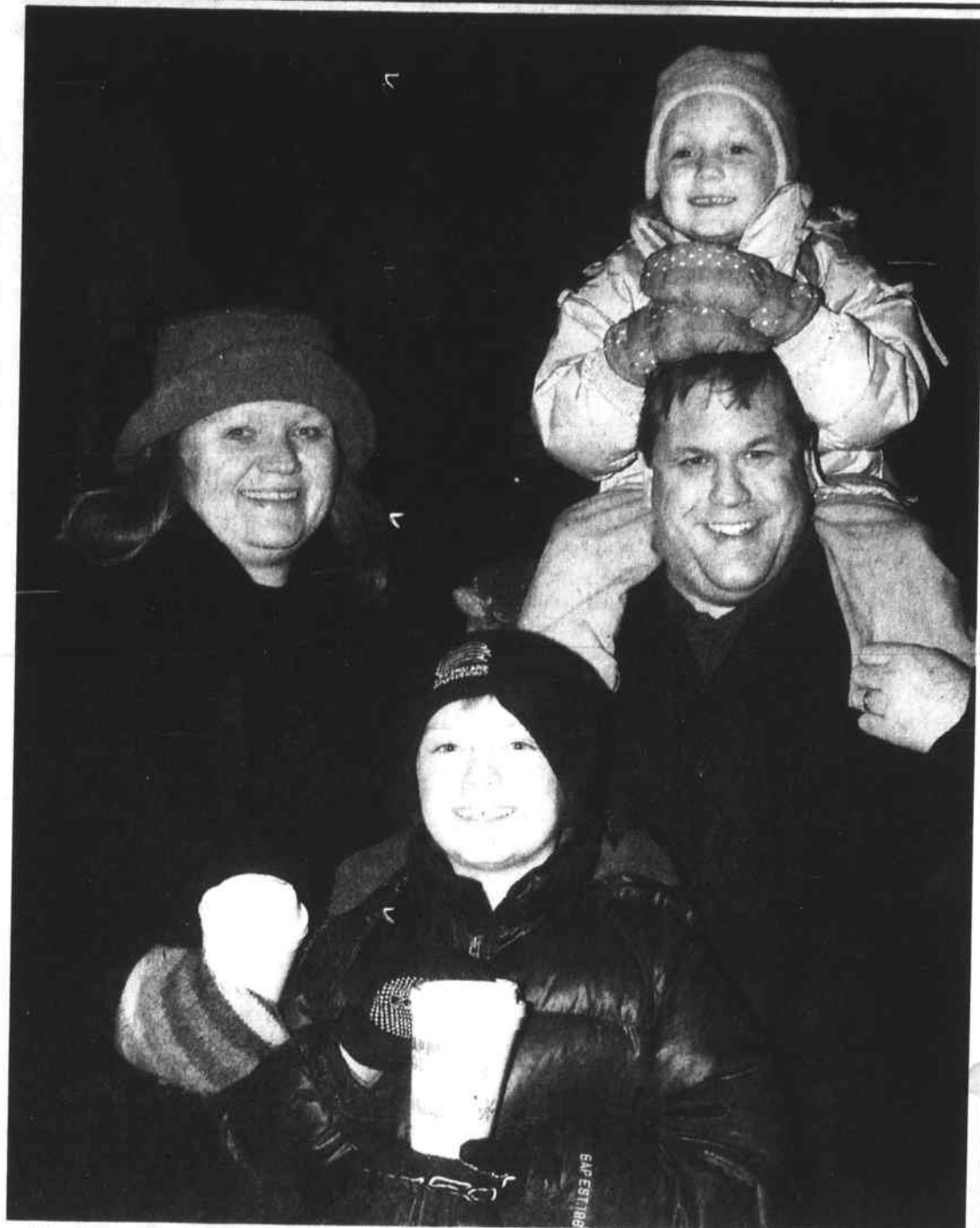
Friday: Lasagna with sauce, broccoli, whole wheat bread, mixed fruit.

Bishop Fenwick High School announces honor roll for first quarter

Sr. Catherine Fleming, SND, Principal of Bishop Fenwick High School, announces the honor roll for the first quarter of this school year.

Wilmington
Senior
Kaitlyn E. Foy
First Honors

Senior
Courtney E. Ryan
Second Honors



The Miller Family - Jayne and Peter, with children Luke and Libby, waited for Santa to arrive on Tewksbury Common Friday night. photo by Maureen Lamoureux-www.shootingstarspix.com

Wrestling show to benefit Toys for Tots Saturday

New England Championship Wrestling presents its final live event of 2008 and perhaps it's most important on Saturday night, December 13 at 7 p.m. at the Billerica Memorial High School, 35 River Street, Billerica, MA.

THE POWER OF LOVE is a benefit event for the United States Marine Corps Toys for Tots Program. 100% of the proceeds will go to Toys for Tots. Admission to the event is the donation of a new unwrapped toy, or a \$10 contribution per adult, \$5 per child.

This year, toy donations for Toys for Tots are significantly down, according to news reports. In these difficult economic times, the need is greater than ever.

You will be treated to a huge double main event! NECW Triple Crown Champion, "The Mohawked Enforcer" Max Bauer will defend his title against the current NECW Television Champion,

Handsome Johnny. Only the Triple Crown will be on the line, as "The Handsome One" gets the chance to cement his place at the pinnacle of NECW.

The second half of our double main event is an NECW Tag Team Championship Dream Match! The current NECW Tag Team Champions, PRIDE (Dan Freitas & Brian Nunes) after their victory in a five team gauntlet match, are claiming to be the greatest tag team in NECW history. Saturday night in Quincy, PRIDE were confronted by D.C. Dillinger, claiming that he and "Die Hard" Eddie Edwards, Sabotage, are the greatest tag team in NECW history. PRIDE are 3 time champions. Sabotage are 4 time former champions. Which team is the greatest in NECW history? The two most storied teams in the annals of NECW will collide on Saturday night, December 13 to decide that very question!

In addition, #1 contender "The

Golden Greek" Alex Arion squares off against "The Real Deal" Brandon Locke. World Women's Wrestling Champion, "The Portuguese Princess" Ariel, managed by Brendan Michael Thomas battles Taeler Hendrix in a non-title grudge match. "The Human Nightmare" Evan Siks of Team Nightmare faces Darling Damon of The Crown Jewels, "The Talent" T.J. Richter with his new bodyguard "The Bulldozer" John Munroe goes up against Makoto in a return grudge match, plus "Superstar" Ryan Matthews faces the high-flying Nick Westgate.

In addition, the current Miss Massachusetts Allison Cronin and Miss Teen Massachusetts Katie Vatalaro will be on hand to greet the fans.

We hope to get at least 500 toys donated on this night. Please join us in championing the cause of children in need. Advance tickets may be purchased at West Real Estate, 386

Main Street Wilmington or call 978-658-4419 to reserve your tickets at the door. Remember 100% of the proceeds of this event are going directly to the Marine Corps Toys for Tots program.

Tickets and donations will be accepted at the door. We look forward to seeing you in Billerica on Saturday night, December 13th!

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Tewksbury Senior Topics

Foxwood day trip Feb 6; Fuel Assistance help available; Stone Zoo trip Monday

Diane Blank, MVH Support Group Leader, will hold the monthly Support Group meeting at the Tewksbury Senior Center this afternoon, December 11th at 1:00 p.m. Meetings are held in the conference room. As we approach the holiday season it becomes even harder to cope with the loss of a loved one. Families are encouraged to attend and possibly gain some insight on how to handle the difficulties of the season.

Maria DiCiccio will hold auditions at the Senior Center this evening, December 11th, for a Cole Porter Production which will be held in February. Auditions will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Senior Center Atrium. AUDITIONS ARE OPEN TO ALL.

Those people attending the Council on Aging and Friends of the Elderly Annual Senior Center Christmas Dinner Friday, December 12th are reminded that dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m..

There will be a seating plan for this event. When you arrive at the Senior Center please check in and get your table assignment.

Due to the Christmas Dinner, Friday's Experienced Yoga Class will not be held.

Special thanks is extended to all those who visited the Senior Center this past week for the puppet show and the Snooti Patooti and Upscale Community Open House. We especially thank those people that helped

with the events especially the High School DECA students.

Tickets for the Tuesday, January 6th, Foxwood day trip will go on sale this coming Monday, December 15th at 8:15 p.m.. The trip cost is \$20 per person.

Those residents 60 and over needing help in filing a Fuel Assistance Application may call the Senior Center to arrange an appointment with the Director. When arranging an appointment, one will be told what paper work is needed for filing; and, informed of the income eligibility guidelines. The number to call is 978-640-4480.

Tickets are still available for the evening visit to the Stoneham Zoo to see the Christmas lights display. This trip will take place next Monday, December 15th. The trip cost is \$10. Home bus pick-up will begin at 5:30 p.m.. Departure from the Senior Center will be 6:00 p.m..

Tickets sales have closed for the Red Hat Carnation Belles Christmas Dinner of Wednesday, December 17th. Those attending should note that dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. Entertainment by Emily Luther will follow dinner. Participants are reminded to bring along a beautifully wrapped gift containing the "ugliest" thing you can find in your house. The gift exchange will follow the featured entertainment.

The Pops Christmas Concert trip of December 20th has one

ticket available. The trip cost is \$60; and, includes mini bus transportation and admission to the matinee performance. Departure from the Senior Center on the 20th will be 1:15 p.m..

Dr. Smith will conduct a podiatry clinic at the Senior Center on Monday, December 29th.

Registrations are now being accepted. This Clinic is limited to the first 25 Tewksbury Senior Citizens who sign up. The fee is \$15 per person and due upon registering.

There have been several requests for new classes. Interest lists have been placed in the maroon folder at the front desk. Please be sure to indicate if you are interested in a class. Once there is enough interest, classes will be scheduled. Among the listings are: Acting 101; Fused Glass Class; Belly Dancing; a second Line dancing class; a second Men's Yoga Class; Drawing; Personal Development Workshops; and, a Magnetizing Workshop.

Got a suggestion for a class? Please place it in the suggestion box at the front desk or e-mail Linda Brabant at lbrabant@town.tewksbury.ma.us.

A waiting list has now been started for the Friends of the Elderly New Year's Eve Party.

Have a great week and use caution on the snowy roads. God Bless America.



Tewksbury Police Log

Monday,
December 1

11:41 a.m. Police recovered a motor vehicle that had been reported stolen in Lowell.

Tuesday, December 2
12:37 a.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance on Main Street.

6:59 a.m. A motor vehicle parked at a Wayside Road residence was damaged maliciously.

5:07 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1079 Main Street.

5:10 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of North Street and International Place.

5:21 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1501 Main Street.

Wednesday, December 3
4:47 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 468 Main Street.

10:31 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 401 Main Street.

Scott R. Crowell, 33, of 44 Robinson Avenue, Woburn, was arrested at the intersection of Shawsheen Street and Main Street on the basis of a warrant and was charged with breaking and entering a vehicle for the purpose of committing a misdemeanor.

Patrick Lappan, 46, of 8 Donnelly Road, Billerica, was arrested on Beech Street on the basis of a warrant.

Thursday, December 4
5:08 p.m. A Henry J. Drive resident called to report a possible water main break. DPW reported flooding was due to a beaver dam.

9:02 a.m. An assault and battery reportedly occurred in connection with a larceny at 85 Main Street.

12:09 p.m. A larceny reportedly occurred at 4 Highwood Drive.

2:23 p.m. A Vernon Street residence was burglarized.

Friday, December 5
7:42 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of North Street and Catamount Road.

2:37 p.m. A motor vehicle parked at a Main Street business was damaged maliciously.

4:09 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance on Texas Road.

10:48 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance on Lee Street.

Noreen Garfield, 45, of 105 Ridgely Drive, Milford, NH, was arrested at the junction of 495 North and Route 38 on the basis of a warrant.

Saturday, December 6
6:30 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in

the vicinity of 540 Main Street.
8:16 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 322 Astle Street.

12:12 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 95 Main Street.

4:12 p.m. Police responded to Mohawk Drive for a report of a possible water main break.

Mildred E. Hedstrom-Moats, 51, of 2 Lee Street, Tewksbury, was arrested at 2 Lee Street and charged with assault and battery.

David Weaver, 51, of 126 Lowell Street, Tewksbury, was arrested at the intersection of Whipple Street and Marston Road and charged with operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, reckless operation of a motor vehicle, failing to stop for police, failing to stay within marked lanes of travel, and possessing of an open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle.

Sunday, December 7
1:21 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the junction of Main Street and Route 495 Southbound.

Maria E. Fulgoni, 24, of 17 Margaret Lane, Billerica, was arrested at 433 Main Street on the basis of a warrant.



Wilmington Police Log

Monday,
December 1

8:21 a.m. A commercial truck parked at a business on Concord Street was vandalized over the weekend.

9:25 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Pinewood Road.

12:41 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Concord Street.

1:36 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Middlesex Avenue.

Tuesday, December 2
7:00 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Forest Street.

Wednesday, December 3
4:05 p.m. A residence on Earles Row was burglarized.

Eric Hegarty, 21, of 9

Williams Court in Woburn, was arrested at the intersection of Burlington Avenue and Deming Way and was charged with larceny from a building and receiving stolen property valued at less than \$250.

Thursday, December 4
1:18 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Main Street.

Friday, December 5
10:25 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Lowell Street.

12:05 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 35 Lowell Street.

3:14 p.m. Police assisted in removing an unwanted person from a business on Ballardvale Street.

6:42 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on

Concord Street.

Andrew Mondy, 21, of 37 Blanchard Road in Wilmington, was arrested at his home on the basis of a warrant.

Saturday, December 6
7:30 a.m. Three residential mailboxes on Jordan Street were damaged maliciously.

2:01 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Jacquith Road.

5:21 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Middlesex Avenue.

8:02 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Carmel Street.

Sunday, December 7
10:36 a.m. A snowplow was stolen from a property on Woburn Street.

Join Wilmington Recreation for a February Fling!

Plan now for a Valentine's Day adventure! Join Wilmington Recreation for a trip to Mohegan Sun on Saturday, February 14. Mohegan Sun in Uncasville, Connecticut has something for everyone! While some may choose to test their luck in the Casino, others may choose to dine at one of the many restaurants, stroll through the shops,

or take in a show. Or a little of everything!

Cost is \$35 per person, which includes motorcoach transportation, a \$10 free bet, and a \$10 food coupon (good at any restaurant or a free buffet). The motorcoach will leave Wilmington at 3 p.m. and arrive back in Wilmington at approximately 1 a.m.

Get a group of friends together

er or plan a surprise gift for that special someone. Or treat yourself - you deserve it!

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Remove snow & ice for letter carriers

Postmasters Charles T. "Chuck" Nichols Jr., Wilmington, and Joanna M. Lout, Tewksbury, today asked for the cooperation of postal customers to keep walkways and curbside mailboxes clear of snow and ice to ensure the safe and efficient delivery of mail this winter.

"The Postal Service treats safety and service with equal priority," the postal officials said, "and we are seeking your help to ensure that you get the kind of service you need and expect and our letter carriers are safe from the perils they face during the winter."

Letter carriers are especially vulnerable to slips, trips and falls during the winter months, they said, adding: "It is extremely important that you keep your walkways free and clear of snow and ice to help

reduce the danger of a letter carrier suffering serious injury in a slipping accident.

"Your help in this regard is deeply appreciated by your letter carrier and all the many men and women who work together to make sure you receive the best possible mail delivery."

They asked residents who receive mail delivery to rural or curbside boxes to keep the approach to and exit from their mailbox clear of snow, ice, vehicles, trash cans and other objects. "This will permit the carrier to drive up to your mailbox and deposit or collect mail without leaving the vehicle. The approach to and exit from the mailbox should be cleared sufficiently on both sides to allow the carrier to drive ahead and not be required to back up after delivery," they said.

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Fran Marden bought a beaded necklace at the Deming Way Holiday Fair in Wilmington on Saturday.
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Deirdre Garcia, her son Kyle (not too happy) and her daughter Skylar, visited with Santa at the St. William's Fair on Saturday. photo by Maureen Lamoureux-www.shootingstarspix.com

Financial Planning for Special Needs Children

TEWKSBURY The Tewksbury Special Education PAC is sponsoring this free seminar Monday, December 15 at the Ryan School library (second floor), 135 Pleasant Street in Tewksbury from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Financial Planning for Special Needs Children will be presented by Northwestern Mutual Financial Advisor John Geraci and Neal Winston, Esq. of Michelle and Winston, LLP.

Neal Winston Esq., former president of the Massachusetts Special Needs Alliance, lectures widely on planning trusts and legal needs for children and adults with disabilities. He works closely with family and caregivers to assure full benefits. Neal is a leading authority on government benefit programs especially SSI, Social Security and Medicaid. He is a partner in the law firm of

Michelle and Winston, LLP and has been in practice for over 30 years.

John Geraci is a financial representative of the Northwestern Mutual Life insurance Company for almost 10 years. His planning ideas stem from his training, professional and personal experiences. John has a son who is legally blind and is mildly autistic. Utilizing a number of strategies, John has

been able to help families plan their financial future helping to reduce the financial and personal burden of family members while not jeopardizing eligible government-sponsored programs for the special needs child.

For more information or questions, please contact Carolyn Dvorak at 978-851-7004 or tsepac@verizon.net.



Wilmington Library Notes by Christina Stewart

Winter Holiday Concert

David Polansky Winter Holiday Concert

Thursday, Dec. 18, 7 pm
Tickets Available Beginning Thursday, December 11

Celebrate the holiday season with the accomplished David Polansky with this musical program for the family audience. David Polansky's music is frequently humorous, sometimes serious, and always clever and engaging. Loved by everyone from preschoolers to grandparents, his songs have been compared to those of Stephen Sondheim and Tom Lehrer and have won numerous awards including the coveted Artists' Foundation Fellowship, Music City Song Festival, Sheet Music Magazine Grand Prize, and others. His Animal Alphabet Songs were spotlighted on Morning Edition of National Public Radio, and his instrumental and choral pieces have been performed by the Springfield (MA) Symphony, The Zamir Chorale, The Tommy Dorsey Orchestra and many others. Reserve your free tickets by visiting or calling the Children's Room at (978) 694-2098. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Apple Tree Music Together

Tuesday, Dec. 16, 9:30 am
Sing, dance and play as Stacy Delliver presents a Music Together demonstration class for children ages five and under and their families. Reserve your free tickets by visiting or calling the Children's Room at (978) 694-2098. Sponsored by Apple Tree Music Together of Tewksbury.

Ho Ho Ho! Holiday Story Craft

Friday, Dec. 19, 3:30 pm
Registration Begins Thursday, December 11
Register your children ages five and older for this program of holiday stories and a related craft. Visit or call the Children's Room at (978) 694-2098 to register.

Winter Preschool Story Times

Registration Begins Monday, December 15
Introduce your young child to books, flannel board stories, songs, circle games and finger plays offered by Children's Librarians Barbara Michaud

and Susan MacDonald. Register for the following programs by visiting the Children's Room or by calling (978) 694-2098: Baby Times—a program most appropriate for the early walker with caregiver to be held on Thursdays, January 15, 29 and February 12 at 10:30-11 am. Time for Twos—caregivers and two year-olds attend on Thursdays, January 8, 22 and February 5 at 10:30-11 am. Story Times for Three Year-Olds—children who are three attend on either Tuesdays (January 6, 13, 20, 27, February 3, 10) 9:30-10 am or Fridays (January 9, 16, 23, 30, February 6, 13) 9:30-10 am. Story Times for Four and Five Year-Olds—four year-olds and five year-olds (not yet attending kindergarten) attend on either Tuesdays (January 6, 13, 20, 27, February 3, 10) 10:30-11 am or Fridays (January 9, 16, 23, 30, February 6, 13) 10:30-11 am. There will be no story times when Wilmington Public Schools are closed due to inclement weather.

News from the Teen Zone

Teen Zone Survey results
Teens in grades 6-12 who responded to the survey were overwhelmingly positive about services for teens. Most really enjoy the redesign of the Teen Zone, calling it "comfortable" and "inviting," and the staff "friendly and helpful." Teen Librarian Brandy Danner is already taking some of your suggestions. Stop in to check out the books on CD and DVD collections, now in a more visible location, and our New Books collection! Congratulations to Rachel McLaren, who won a \$50 gift card to iTunes in our randomized drawing of survey participants.

Teen Gingerbread Houses

Wednesday, Dec. 17, 3 pm
Strap on your hard hats and join the construction zone! Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to build gingerbread houses from graham crackers, frosting, candies, and chocolate. All materials will be provided. Just bring your blueprints! Sign up online using our Event Calendar at www.wilmlibrary.org or by calling (978) 694-2098. Sponsored by the Friends of the

Library.

Teen Book Discussion: The Sky Inside, by Clare Dunkle

Thursday, Dec. 18, 3:30 pm
Martin's little sister, Cassie, is better than he is in every way—she's smarter, friendlier, and more patient than he is. So when the stranger enters the protective dome of suburb HB1 and takes all the children Cassie's age and younger away as part of a product-recall on these genetically-engineered kids, Martin knows that he has no choice but to go after her. Not that he knows where to go, besides just out. Cassie may have the brains, but Martin has grim determination on his side—and that will have to be enough to save his sister. Pick up a copy in the Teen Zone and join our discussion!

All-You-Can-Read Teen Winter Buffet

Tuesday, Dec. 30, 11:30-6
Join us for a marathon read-in while we provide the snacks to keep you going and a pizza party (5-6 pm) when you finish. Bring a pillow, a beanbag chair, or something else comfy to sit on. It doesn't matter what you read—bring your own books or choose something off our book menu. Teens in grades 6 to 12 can register on our Event Calendar at www.wilmlibrary.org or by calling (978) 694-2098. This event is made possible with the generous support of the Friends of the Library.

Library Closed Friday Morning December 19

The library will be closed Friday December 19 from 9 am to 1 pm for staff training. The library will be open from 2 pm to 5 pm.

Book Store Next Door Holiday Shopping Hours

The Book Store Next Door is open 10 am to 4 pm on Saturday and Sunday through December 21st. Make your dollars go further on your holiday book purchases at the Friends of the Library Book Store Next Door.

Thank You for Holiday Decorations

Thank you to the Wilmington Garden Club for the holiday wreaths on front of the building, to the Girl Scouts for the

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mance and hands-on audience participation. The "Ring in the Season" program sets the stage for an enthusiastic audience sing-along and hands-on play-along in a happy celebration of all the December holidays.



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DANVERS - The employees of Danversbank have passed a major milestone in their weekly jeans day donation program, with total moneys donated exceeding \$100,000 since the program started in 2001. Danversbank is the principal subsidiary of Danvers Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: DNBK).

The November 28th jeans day, for the Wilmington Memorial Library, raised \$520 and put total employee donations at \$100,105. The attached photo shows the staff of the Main Street, Wilmington office, during that jeans day. Pictured are (l-r) Debra Russo, Sandra Joyce, Branch Manager Holly Nahabedian, Shannon Fitzgerald and Assistant Manager Debbie White.

About Jeans Days
Through the jeans day pro-

gram, Danversbank employees are encouraged to wear jeans to work every Friday, in exchange for a donation of at least \$5. The money is pooled each week and donated to a charity chosen beforehand by one of the employees. More than 300 different organizations have benefited in the seven years that the employees have been paying to wear their jeans to work at Danversbank. The calendar of jeans days for 2009 is nearly full already, with future beneficiaries that include the Woburn Council of Social Concern, Hospice of the North Shore, Dog B.O.N.E.S. Therapy Dogs of Massachusetts and the Massachusetts Eating Disorder Association.

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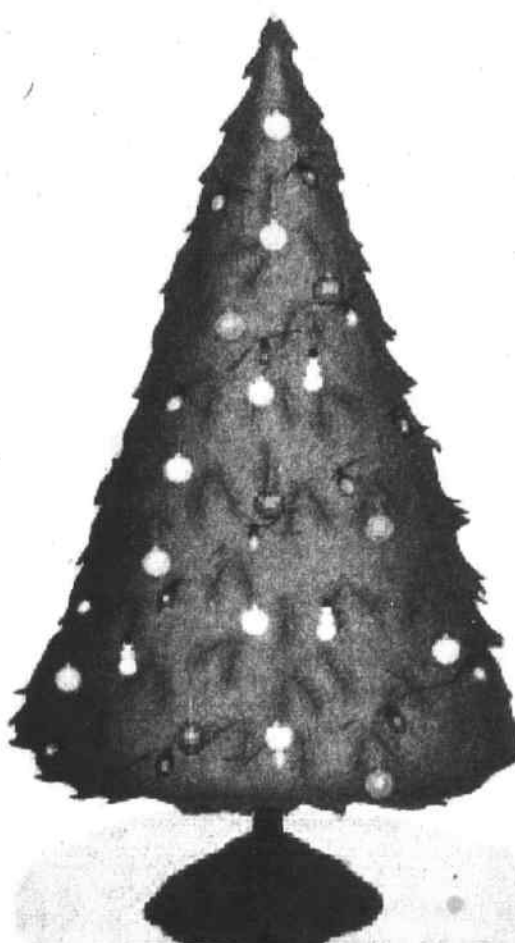
Brendan MacInnis and Santa in Wilmington on Saturday night.
photo by Maureen Lamoureux-www.shootingstarspix.com

Be on the Tree

The Town Crier Christmas Tree

Every year the Town Crier sends greetings to family and friends from the townspeople by way of the Town Crier Christmas Tree. This year it will appear on the back page of the Christmas edition. It will be published on December 19th. Ornaments on the tree are \$10.00 each. Deadline will be Friday, December 19th at 2:00 PM.

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ums. The holiday books are dwindling, but there are still great seasonal and giftable like-new children's and adult books for all interests. Our book store is a great place to find gifts for your children to give to relatives or teachers. We offer gift certificates too. CDs are now \$1.00 and books on tape \$2.00. Your dollars go a long way to begin with, and then they are recycled to the library in many ways; pick up a Friends brochure to find out the specifics. Contact Leslie Dietrich, 978-657-6536 or lesd4@verizon.net for volunteer opportunities or questions. Many thanks for your continued support - shopping and donating.

Local residents named to Austin Prep Honor Roll

READING - Austin Preparatory School Headmaster Mr. Paul Moran is proud to announce the following local students made the honor roll for the first quarter of the 2008-2009 academic year. Distinction indicates no grade lower than A- and Honors indicates no grade lower than B-.

Tewksbury DISTINCTION
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Shaughn Hiltz, Grade 8
Ethan Marsh, Grade 12
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Benjamin Tan, Grade 10
WILMINGTON DISTINCTION
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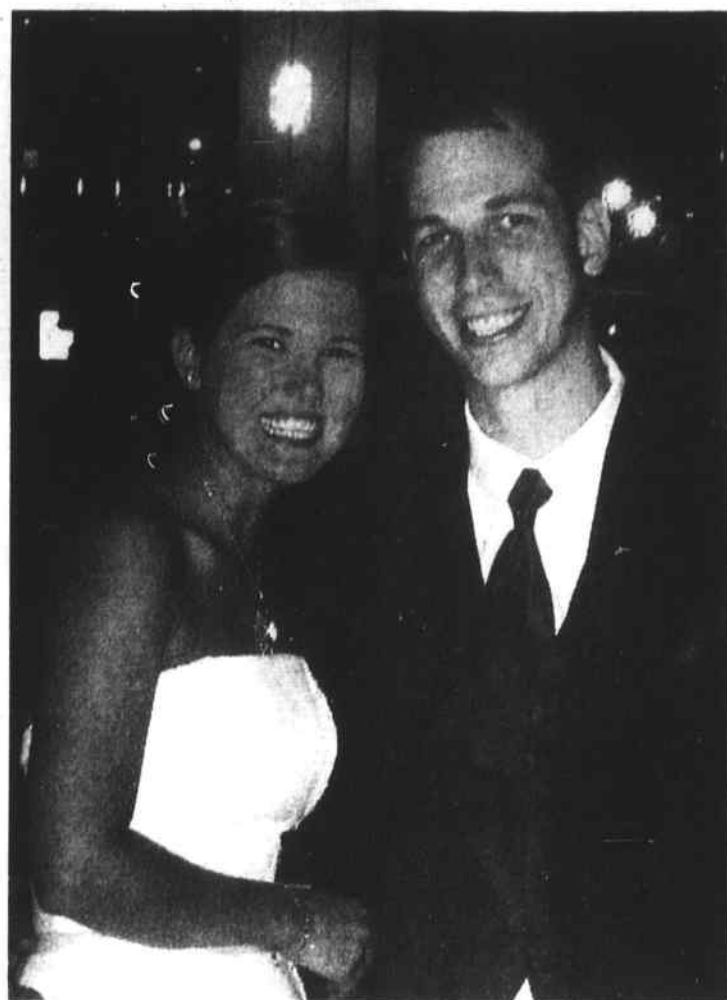
Elizabeth McDermott, Gr. 8
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Lexi Tamburello, Grade 6
HONORS
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Joseph Bosco, Grade 7
Anthony Bruce, Grade 10
Thomas Callahan, Grade 11
Nicole Cherubino, Grade 11
Kevin Cronan, Grade 12
Brandon Cummings, Grade 12
Maryanna DiRupo, Grade 7
Cameron Fitzpatrick, Gr. 12
Kathleen Flaherty, Grade 12
Meagan Fonzi, Grade 12
Edward Germano, Grade 6
Kathleen Kilday, Grade 11
Marisa Melanson, Grade 10
Michael Melanson, Grade 7
Lisa Nguyen, Grade 11
Madison Ricci, Grade 6
Megan Stone, Grade 6
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Rachel Bradley
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Connor Dane
Kayla Devlin
Benjamin Forest
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Alex Joseph
Kelsey Kelley
Kayla Linnehan
Elizabeth Markwarth
Katherine McLaughlin
Matthew McLaughlin
Jared Perrone
Lauren Polimeno
Emma Rose
Rae Sarno
Kevin Sie
Teagan Trant
Priya Vijay
Emily Walker
Jillian Wentworth
Lauren Whetton
Maren Williams

Michael Monahan
Ryan Morris
Kyle Nguyen
Arianna Nicosia
Alexander Norton
Andrew Pacheco
Olivia Pappas
Kylie Paulino
Caitlin Pichette
Matthew Poulin
Gina Puccia
Shaylee Puleo
Yanique Rigaud
Jade Sabbag
Dayria Salibe
Connor Squires
David Stein
Emily Stewart
Kaylee Tenaglia
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Caitlyn Vaara
Natalie Veloz
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Tyler Ward
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Aaron Whitehouse
Kaitlyn Willgoys
Charles Yaing

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Joseph Arsenault
Sara Axson
Sean Barker
Sara Benson
Steven Bevilacqua
Alexis Brincklow
Cassia Burns
Michael Butler
Mark Campo
Dennis Conway
Holly Covel
Miah Cummings
Robin Czarniecki
Sarah Deluca-Gifford
Elena Desmond
Nicolas Diminico
Marissa Doherty
Mikayla Dolan
Nathan Dooley
Zachary Duffy
Alexander Dumas
Sarah El Hakim
Felicia Enos
Adam Fanel
Joseph Faxon
Ryan Flynn
Jonathan Fuller
Eric Gallant
James Hannon
Erik Harrington
Tyler Harvey
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Ariana Margios
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Kathleen C. Walsh weds Michael J. Klein

Kathleen (Kacy) C. Walsh & Michael J. Klein were married on August 30, 2008 at the Allen Centennial Gardens in Madison, WI.

The bride is a graduate of Wilmington High School class of 2002 and of the University of New Hampshire, as a business major, class of 2006. The groom is a graduate of Wahlert Catholic High School class of 1995 and Indiana University at Bloomington, as a Music Education major, class of 1999.

Both are employed by Epic Systems Corp of Verona WI. Mike as a Quality Control Engineer; Kathleen as a Software Trainer. They make their home in Belleville, WI and are planning a February honeymoon to New Zealand.

The bride is the daughter of Barbara W. Quandt and Charles Walsh both formerly of Wilmington.

The groom's parents are Dorothy and Robert Klein of Dubuque, IA.



Katelyn McFeeters of Wilmington played the harp at the Harnden Tavern's Annual holiday open house on Sunday. (photo by Maureen Lamoureux-www.shootingstarspix.com)

Special Education announces sport registration

TEWKSBURY- The Tewksbury Special Education Parent Advisory Council will be holding their annual Winter Basketball and Spring Soccer registration in mid-December. Children registering must be on an IEP/504.

Registration will take place at the Tewksbury Recreation Department on 286 Livingston Street in Tewksbury, MA 01876. This registration is sponsored by the TSEPAC.

Registration Dates:
Wednesday, December 10th, 6:30 pm - 8:00pm
Saturday, December 13th, 10:30am - 12:00pm
Fees: \$25.00 per child per sport. If there is more than one child per family on an IEP/504 \$10.00 for each Additional child. Out of district fee \$35.00

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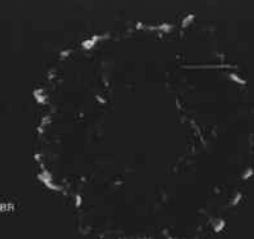
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Krystal Fortin met with Santa when he visited Town Hall in Wilmington on Thursday night.
photo by Maureen Lamoureux-www.shootingstarspix.com

Celebrate the New Year with the VFW

TEWKSBURY - The VFW is holding a New Years Eve Party on Wednesday, December 31, 2008, from 8:00 PM to 1:00 AM with a Social Hour between 7:00 PM and 8:00 PM. The menu includes: prime rib, stuffed chicken breast, soup, ziti and meatballs, snacks, coffee, and deserts. Pro DJ Entertainment will provide that entertainment.

The price to attend is \$25.00 and to reserve a table for you and your friends (maximum of 8 people per table), please call Vinnie at (978)-618-7946.

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Representative James Miceli to hold office hours

Representative James Miceli will be holding office hours for the Town of Wilmington, Monday December 22nd from 9:30-11:00 AM at the Wilmington Senior Center and also from

6:30-8:00 PM at the Wilmington Town Hall. Representative James Miceli will be holding office hours for the Town of Tewksbury, Tuesday December 23rd from

9:30-11:00 AM at the Tewksbury Town Hall and also from 6:30-8:00 PM at the Tewksbury Public Library.



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Wilmington Recreation Department has announced a new price reduction for Disney's High School Musical 2 Tickets at North Shore Music Theatre.

The Wildcats are on stage singing and dancing as the high school gang enjoys summer vacation. Wilmington Recreation has tickets for Disney's High School Musical 2 on Tuesday, December 30 at 7:30 p.m. at North Shore Music Theatre.

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from North Shore Music Theatre to pass along! The cost for an adult ticket is now \$47 for inner circle. Ticket cost is \$27 for children ages 18 & under. These would make a great holiday gift!

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Childhood cancer study abandoned

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When the interview phase was complete the MDPH announced that the water data available at the time was not adequate for epidemiological analysis. They contracted with Dr. John Durant of Tufts University to conduct additional water modeling to answer questions regarding exposure opportunities to chemicals in the drinking water distribution.

The November 24 notice stated that Dr. Durant finished most of the modeling work for the study and therefore "it should be easier to commence the linkage analyses with the interview and exposure data if funding for this study is restored in the future."

Wilmington Director of Public Health Gregory Erickson said, "I don't know if this will be the end

or if future funding of that department will provide an opportunity to continue the study."

Town Manager Michael Caira expressed hope that the study would continue. He told Selectmen that the Town first asked the MDPH to look into this in April of 1999 and that he does not expect this study to go away in spite of the fact that it's recent funds have been eliminated.

The letter from Suzanne Condon, Associate Commissioner, and Director Bureau of Environmental Health concludes, "Because of all efforts to date, we are hopeful that a minimum of start-up time will be required once funding is restored to resume the study."

Bylaw passes

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that may want to install solar panels or back-up generators from being affected by the bylaw.

Landers paid particular attention to water issues in the article, noting that the siting of the proposed plant on the Concord River could affect the town in numerous ways as well as neighboring towns. The Massachusetts Water Resource Authority limits the amount of water a town is allowed to withdraw from its water source annually and with the power plant's draw the town's usage comes very close to the limit. The town would likely have to spend \$3 million in upgrades to local infrastructure to support the power plant, an important consideration.

"There are a number of changes that would have to be made that are quite expensive to accommodate this plant," Landers told the Crier. Indeed, Billerica residents do not have an opportunity to vote on the matter, so reliance on local boards to represent the town becomes paramount, part of the impetus to create this bylaw.

But, the boards cover different areas of the permitting process. The Conservation Commission deals with wetlands issues while the Board of Health is concerned with air quality. Sometimes, there is some uncertainty about which committees are responsible for the puzzle pieces involved in such development. This bylaw will empower the boards to know what the others are doing.

"This is such a huge process, it takes everybody's eyes looking at it to determine what's really going on and finding where potential problems might be," Landers told the Crier this week. "They need to look at it as a whole project and determine what the potential impacts might be."

Landers points to the perchlorate contamination of Tewksbury drinking water several years ago as an example of a possible impact. Any power plant taking from or discharging into the Concord River could cause disturbances downstream. Tewksbury takes its water supply from the Merrimack River just downstream from the confluence of the Concord River.

Residents of neighboring towns applaud Billerica's passage of this bylaw.

"I think Town Meeting Member Landers is right on target with this warrant," Tewksbury resident Judi Luciano told the Crier this week. "Inserting a good neighbor provision that requires 'the

potential or adverse impacts on communities within one mile of the site' to be taken into consideration provides a safety net in that even if the proponent of such a project does not notify the appropriate boards in Tewksbury of its intentions that Billerica would be required to do so."

Brief state timelines make the notification portion of the bylaw particularly useful. Had local boards been notified of the plans for a major power plant on Tewksbury's border, Selectmen or the Board of Health could have secured legal standing in the process, possibly as an intervenor. As it stands, only one group, the Billerica Watchers Group (BWG), has intervenor status.

Landers credits the BWG for all the work that group has done to limit the power plant developer. She believes that if it were not for BWG the plant

would already be built and functioning. Landers, a participant in many BWG meetings and activities, notes that this bylaw is not a BWG effort. Rather, it is the work of a Town Meeting Representative.

"This is not a done deal. It's important at the local level, residents should talk to selectmen and authorities and let them know your opinions on it. Because of the Watchers we still have standing," said Landers.

Luciano agrees that a similar "good neighbor" bylaw in Tewksbury would be a good idea. "Towns in this region can't operate in a bubble. Air quality, water supply, health and environmental issues don't stop at a town boundary. We're all impacted."

Lowell resident Virginia Michaels supports the new bylaw as well.

"As a very close city to

Billerica, Lowell residents have a lot to be concerned about regarding this proposed power plant and its many aspects that can affect surrounding communities," said Michaels. "I am very, very pleased that this warrant was first of all generated; that the woman was enterprising enough to present it, and secondly that it passed. Power plant activities reach well beyond their immediate location and it is really crucial that these concerns be addressed."

The bylaw will be reviewed by the Attorney General's office to ensure compliance with Massachusetts General Laws. However, there is a provision in the bylaw stating that should one portion be out of step with current law, the remaining portions will still apply.



Donna Legro of Wilmington was in search of the perfect tree at the Wilmington United Methodist Church on Sunday afternoon.
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Familiar faces, new roles

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in the position for the past 20 years.

According to Caira, Hooper brings more than 16 years of facilities management experience in both the private and public sectors. He served as Operations Manager for Honeywell/DMC of Woburn from 1992 to 1997 before being hired as an electrician with the Town of Wilmington.

In July of 2000 Caira promoted him to the position of Assistant Superintendent of Public Buildings where he has worked closely with Superintendent Lessard to manage the operation of the department.

Hooper is a licensed master electrician and has extensive training in environmental, work safety and emergency management training as it relates to

facilities operations. As a resident of Wilmington he has been actively involved in the community. He once served as Cub Scout leader, a member of the Wilmington Rotary Club's Board of Directors and a member of the Wilmington Historical Commission.

Caira said, "I believe that Mr. Hooper's first-hand knowledge of the operations of Wilmington's facilities, his proven administrative and leadership qualities, and his technical expertise as it relates to building management makes him uniquely qualified to serve as Wilmington's Superintendent of Public Buildings. Hooper assumes his appointed position on January 19, 2009.



Emma Saporito, Rachel DiGregorio and Nicole LeDoux sang Christmas songs on the hayride in Wilmington on Saturday night. Driving the horse drawn wagon from Krochmal Farm in Tewksbury is Chippy.

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The Mayor of Wilmington

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victory in the hills. The Bulgarian morale was high and liquor flowed freely, until the rebels paid no attention to their prisoners. George saw the opportunity for escape. At 2:00 a.m., the boys crept from the prison, concealed by darkness.

"I never ran so fast in my life," said George. "I knew the terrain from previous hunting trips, and we made the 35-mile trip home in record time."

As time passed, the revolution closed, and George went on living in Salonika until he turned 21. His father had advised him to make something of his life. George decided to go to America, an ideal place to start.

George arrived here in 1911 and took a job as a cook in the Hotel Dreyfus in Boston, where he stayed until 1916.

Then one day, George met some people of Irish heritage. The first one was Susan Cragin, and she lived in Wilmington. Her uncle was Jim Kelley, the town clerk. Susan lived with Mr. and Mrs. Kelley, and cared for the latter, who was not well. George became a frequent visitor.

On June 4, 1916, George and Susan were married. The best man was Joe McMahon of Wilmington. The couple rented an apartment in "The Block," the former Adams Pump Factory. It later became the American Legion Hall.

The couple bought some land from Jim Kelley on Glen Road and hired Chester Horton to build a house. George was working at New England Manufacturing Co. in Woburn, and later at the Boston and Maine Railroad shops in North Billerica.

The greatest day in George's life came on June 23, 1917. George went to the Federal Building in Boston to become a United States citizen. He had gone the day before, only to answer one question improperly.

Crestfallen, he went home and looked over the materials he had been studying. One key phrase stood out: Know your Congress. Know your representative." So he called Rep. John Jacob Rogers of Lowell.

Rogers wasted no time. He met George at the Federal Building at 9 o'clock the next morning, and they went to see Judge Dillon, to review the record of George's examination. The justice noted that George had missed on one

question pertaining to the origin of the Civil War. George had said that the war was caused by ignorance.

Speaking in Greek, the judge asked George what he meant by that answer. George responded, also in Greek, that the North and the South failed to understand each other, and if that wasn't ignorance, he didn't know what was.

George walked out an American citizen.

In 1922, Susan Spanos wanted to move to New Hampshire, to be near her folks, who were ill. It was to be a temporary arrangement, but they didn't return to Wilmington until 1937. By the time they returned, Susan had become ill.

George opened a small restaurant next to the Common, opposite the Swain School, which was then Wilmington High School. Youngsters would come to his restaurant, not just for the blue plate special or the latest tunes in the jukebox, but also to talk with George. He would listen to them with interest and understanding.

In 1941, he moved his restaurant to Wilmington Square, into a building that had been "the other" Buck Bros. grocery store. George's young friends were going off to war, and the restaurant was their last stop before leaving and the first stop when they returned. Everyone who came into the restaurant in uniform was treated like royalty. George kept pictures of the servicemen and women, and found a spot on the wall for each one. Those photographs are now kept by the Wilmington Historical Commission.

How did the servicemen repay him? They would bring him sugar, flour, cigarettes and many other supplies for the restaurant. War-time rationing made many such items hard to find. But those gifts never stayed in the restaurant — you could find bits of those goods in nearly every house in town.

George's Restaurant was advertised in many foreign lands. George would receive pictures of servicemen, in France, in North Africa, or Guadalcanal with a sign, "George's Restaurant, Wilmington, Mass. — Miles" with an arrow pointing the way.

There is a picture of Gen. Maxwell Taylor presenting George with the flag that hung in his office. Gen. Taylor said that George had the only independent

U.S.O. in the United States.

Though not a veteran, George was made an honorary member of the Nee-Ellsworth post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, with a citation of merit from the Military Order of the Cooties. General Douglas MacArthur was the first person to be honored with this award, and George was the second. George adopted that name for his softball team, which he called the Cooties.

For Memorial Day, George would set up a set of 39 crosses and one Star of David in an alcove in the restaurant, each with the name of a serviceman killed in the war.

The Korean War brought a new generation of servicemen through the doors of George's Restaurant, and they received the same warm treatment as the soldiers of World War II.

The restaurant was also a favorite stop for many noteworthy dignitaries, including Congresswoman Edith Nourse Rogers, whose late husband had assisted George with his citizenship.

Judge James Henchey, long a judge in the Woburn District Court, told of questioning a young man who had broken into practically every business in Wilmington Square — except George's Restaurant. "Why not George's?" the judge asked. The answer was that George was the only human being in America.

In the 1950s, Wilmington had a very active skating club, and George became the most loyal fan of the Wilmington skaters. The Boston Daily Record used to sponsor a competition, the Silver Skates, in Boston Garden each year. George contacted the Boston and Maine Railroad and had a special train run from Wilmington to Boston, just for the Wilmington skating fans. One year, there were more than 1,200 Wilmington fans at the Silver Skates.

Capt. Larz Neilson, founder of the Town Crier, tagged George with the title, Mayor of Wilmington. Larz used to write much of his news in the back booth at George's. It was where the news happened or was discussed. And there was always fresh coffee handy.

News item, Crusader, Dec. 1954: George has decided to teach the Apprentice Mayor, Jimmy Marsi, how to cook. Jimmy had his first lesson last week, a lesson which featured the preparation of Jello.

Jimmy thought it was wonderful, "out of this world." George, though, found it to be full of lumps and wouldn't serve it to his customers. Now Jimmy is getting more lessons, on how to heat water.

George ran the restaurant for 15 years, but illness forced him to close in September 1956. On his last day, he hosted a crowd of children for ice cream and candy.

In retirement, he was still "The Mayor." There was no greater supporter of activities for the young people of Wilmington. He knew all the athletes on the local teams. If a judge was needed for a pie-eating contest, George was the man. And when Santa Claus would come to town, his voice often sounded just like George's.

At football games, George would come to the ticket booth, probably with his arms around a couple of kids, and buy two student tickets. If you looked at the stands, you would see a barrage of candy, gum and Life Savers flying in all directions. One need not ask who was launching all that candy.

When the Housing for the Elderly opened on Dering Way in 1959, George was one of the



George Spanos was surrounded by kids as he closed his restaurant for the last time in September 1956.

first tenants, and he lived there until 1965. You would often find him at Scotty's Donut Shop at Wilmington Plaza, run by a fellow Greek, Scotty Laganos.

With his health failing, George moved into a nursing home in Tewksbury in 1965. Two days after

Christmas, about 6:00 p.m., he was sitting with visitors, when his head fell forward. George Spanos, the Mayor of Wilmington was gone.

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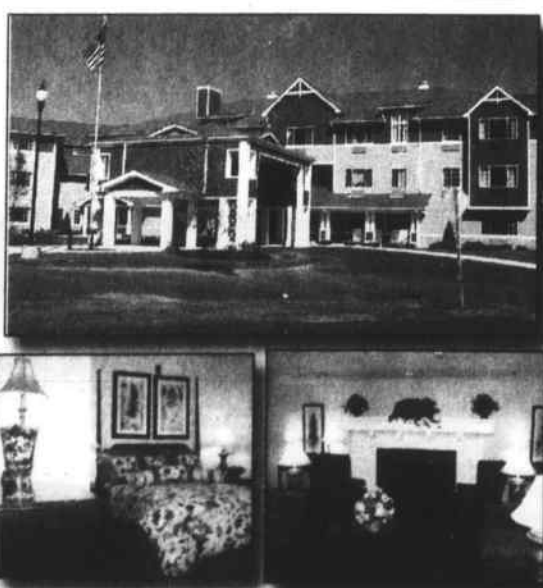
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Wilmington Town Crier's

Coach of the Year: Steve Scanlon

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

He's been a head coach since 1991. He ranks third on the WHS Coaching Staff in terms of years of service. During that time, he thought he had seen it all - the exciting wins, the tough losses, the great players, the disappointing seasons, the hard-to-deal-with-parents, and the horrible officiated games. But then came this calendar year for Steve Scanlon, and oh what a 12-month period it was.

For the third time since the inception of the Town Crier's Wilmington Coach of the Year, Scanlon has grabbed the honors. He previously led the hockey team to league championship titles and big state tournament wins earning him the award, but this time around his accomplishments as a head coach in both ice hockey and soccer take on an entire different meaning. He's now on a much different level.

During the winter season, Scanlon guided the boys' hockey team to a Cape Ann League title, to the program's first Division 2 North Sectional championship, and to the program's second appearance in the state championship final, all the while enjoying an overall record of 17-3-4, including a win over Tewksbury that will forever be scripted in the minds of every person who was in the stands, in the press box and mostly on the ice during that Saturday night in March.

During the fall season, Scanlon guided the boys soccer team to an overall record of 15-2-4, finishing one point away from a league title, while enjoying post-season wins over Newburyport and Reading, before falling to league rival Masconomet, in double overtime of the Division 2 North Sectional semi-finals.

He finished with a combined record of 32-5-8, which included five post-season victories over quality opponents such as Danvers, Peabody, Newburyport, Tewksbury and Reading. He also had another extremely impressive feat - the hockey team had a 17-game unbeaten streak during its run

to the state final, and the boys' soccer team enjoyed a 19-game unbeaten streak. That's 36 combined games without a loss. Absolutely incredible.

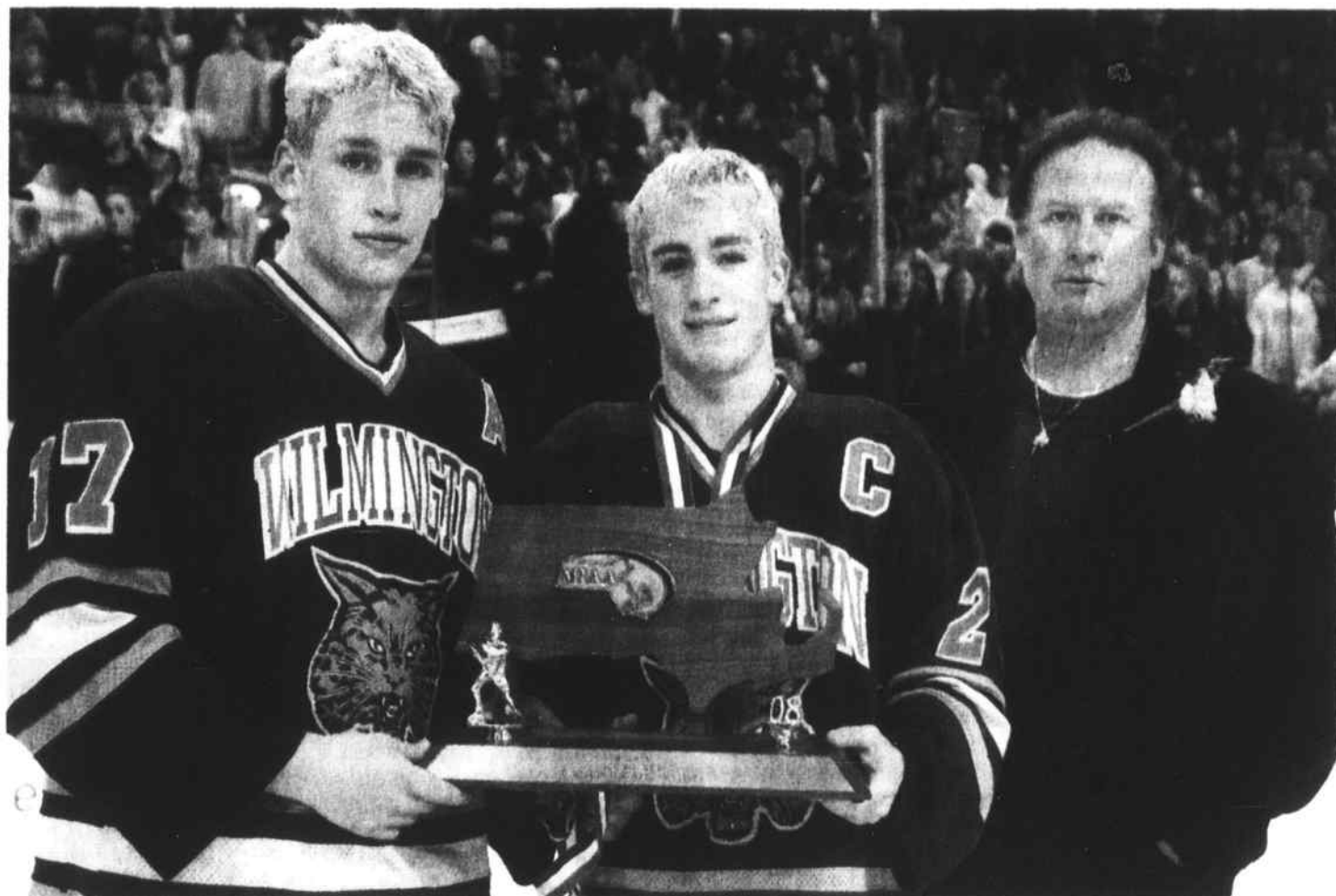
His career speaks for itself, posting 200 wins in each sport, winning seven Cape Ann League titles as Wilmington's hockey coach, winning another as a soccer coach, making countless appearances in the post-season, not to mention winning a state championship soccer title at Westford Academy before coming back to WHS where he excelled as a three-sport athlete in the mid 1980s between soccer, hockey and baseball.

In terms of preparation, knowing opposing teams and players' strengths and weaknesses, Scanlon is certainly among the best. His homework is always done, his practices are always set in stone beforehand, and he's always prepared for every situation. He's tremendously competitive, always striving to get the most out of his players. He's extremely creative, coming up with special plays that catch other teams off guard, and which lead his teams to goals and of course wins. He's all about defense - his teams are always very good defensively, always tough, physical and passionate, leaving everything they have on the ice and soccer fields. He's also a realist. He knows when his teams played well and he knows when his teams need a boot in the behind to get going. He's also extremely funny - knowing when to crack a one-liner or a joke to loosen up his team in a sticky moment.

"It's been about twenty years or so that we have worked together and I learn something from him every year," said Chip Bruce, Scanlon's longtime assistant coach in both sports. "He has an uncanny ability to adapt when he needs to. We had injuries and/or issues both seasons and somehow he managed to keep the train on the tracks and rolling along."

Drop the Puck

Last year at this time,



Steve Scanlon, far right, has been the varsity hockey coach since 1991. This past season he led the Wildcats to a Cape Ann League Championship, the program's first Division 2 North Sectional Championship, and a trip to the state final. Wilmington was defeated in the state championship game. Captains Eric Siegel and Ernie Mello were presented the finalist trophy along with Scanlon on the TD BankNorth ice back in March.

Scanlon knew that he had a veteran hockey team. The 2006-'07 Wildcat team ended the season in disappointing fashion, falling short of high expectations and falling short of the post-season. He really had no idea what was in store for the '07-'08 team.

"It was a very gratifying season for everyone," said Scanlon. "That senior class went through a lot of ups and downs. They started out heavily touted, and then they didn't get the job done as juniors. Individually there was a lot of strong talent, and I think it just all came together this year. You saw kids like Zack Wilkins and Eric Siegel just emerge. Eric had eight goals his junior season, and as a senior towards the end of the season he was the best player on the ice every game. He was an animal out there. We saw the potential with this group as tenth

graders, so this was certainly one of the more gratifying seasons we've ever had."

Very early in the season, the Wildcats were humiliated on a Saturday afternoon away game. Wilmington was trounced the reigning Cape Ann League champions Lynnfield by a score of 8-2.

"The next game against Newburyport, I believe turned our entire season around," said Scanlon. "We were coming off an embarrassing loss. The way we rebounded against a very solid Newburyport team to me was very important. That was actually the start of our streak - we really wanted that game."

From that win, the Wildcats rolled. Wilmington strung together the aforementioned 17-game unbeaten streak including several exciting wins and draws with Masconomet, Newburyport, North Reading and then a scoreless tie with Lynnfield. Those victories helped push the Wildcats to the program's first league title since winning four in a row from 1999 to 2002.

"(That 17-game unbeaten streak) was very difficult (to accomplish)," said Scanlon. "We really stressed the one-game at a time mentality. The kids were very good at that. I think that approach just sharpens your focus, and you don't look down the road. With both (the hockey and soccer teams) we really didn't talk about the streak. It was talked about but really not with us. We didn't want the kids to get all caught up with the tough games that were ahead. I know it's a cliché but the one game at a time mentality really worked with both (the hockey and soccer) teams."

The unbeaten streak came to a halt when Tewksbury knocked off the Wildcats in the last regular season game. But then the Wildcats rebounded with another winning streak just days later when the post-season began.

The Game we'll all remember

It took a lot for Wilmington to reach the sectional final. Although the Wildcats were the top seed, Division 2 North hockey is tremendously difficult - Gloucester, Tewksbury, Danvers, Peabody - facing all of those traditional winning clubs every other night in front of jammed packed crowds can be extremely invigorating. The post-season started with a 2-1 win over Danvers.

Wilmington didn't play its best in that contest, but came away with the win. Then came Peabody. The Wildcats stood behind another brilliant performance by goaltender Michael Cabral and emerged in the third period with a 5-1 victory. Those two wins put Wilmington into "The Game".

"Everyone wanted to see a Wilmington and Tewksbury showdown (in the sectional final)," said Scanlon. "It was very exciting to be a part of that. You had the first seed against the second seed. It was everything everyone wanted it to be. I still have people come up to me today telling me it was the best athletic event they have ever seen. So many alumni have told me that. It was the ultimate win and the ultimate season. What that team did, beating Tewksbury the way we did and getting to the (TD BankNorth) Garden may never happen again."

Tewksbury totally outplayed Wilmington in the first period and mostly throughout all of the regulation. Somehow, the Wildcats managed to sneak in two goals after trailing 2-0 early on, and the third period

was just as exhilarating with both teams having all kinds of chances to score. The game was tied at 3-3 after three tremendously hard fought periods.

"What I remember most about that game is how loud it was (in the Chelmsford Forum)," said Derek Doherty, the Tewksbury Town Crier Coach of the Year after he also led his hockey team to a league title and a trip to the sectional final. "You couldn't even hear yourself think. I just remember all of the excitement from the end of the bench, to all of the chances we had to score or they had to score, and it was great. The best part about that game was it was a nice, hard-hitting, clean game. They were no stupid plays or penalties. All of the kids played great - on both teams, they were all poised and they all played so well."

"I think that game was the most excitement either town had in quite some time. To have both teams playing in one building with all of those fans there, and playing for all of the cake, is something I'll never

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forget. Everywhere I go people still come up to me and talk about that game. Even though we lost, people still talk about what a game it was, and how much they enjoyed a night out and seeing such a great game. It's just so hard to explain how unbelievable that game was to be a part of."

Wilmington played much better in the two scoreless overtime periods, but neither team could crack a goal. That forced the game to go into a third overtime frame, a shoot-out. Wilmington won the shoot-out, emerged with the 4-3 victory, and were on its way to the state final, something the program had done just once previously in 1984.

"That Tewksbury game ranks right up there as one of the best I've ever been a part of," said Scanlon. "I really can't think of too many that were better than that one. To be in the sectional final against your biggest rival in a game that was well played by both teams, just doesn't get any better than that. The thing that I liked was both teams were so proud and both teams had such respect for each other. It was a clean game, and just such a fun game to be involved in. I really think everyone who was there certainly got their monies worth."

The State Final

Wilmington had the next seven days off after that win over Tewksbury to get ready for a trip to the TD Bank North and to skate on the same ice that Ray Bourque and current Bruins' players Phil Kessel and Peter Bergeron skate on today. The Wildcats were matched up against Sandwich, coming from Cape Cod and obviously Wilmington didn't know much about them. Scanlon and his team took the pre-game warm-ups, watched team captain Ernie Mello wish his team good luck from the huge scoreboard, and the team gathered around on the Boston Bruins bench

with one quest of coming away with the team's first ever state championship trophy.

That didn't happen. Wilmington was defeated 1-0. The team had its scoring chances but failed to convert against a freshman goalie.

"We certainly could've played better," said Scanlon. "Not to take anything away from Sandwich, but I don't think we played with the same fire that we played with against Tewksbury. I think that Tewksbury game took a lot of emotions out of us. We won that game and we still had the real big one left. We won a lot of our games by applying pressure and scoring on rebounds. Sandwich did a real good job of mopping all of that up and not allowing us to do that. We had our scoring chances. I'm not taking anything away from their goalie, because a freshman in that situation he was terrific. But I thought a lot of the shots we had were hitting him - Siegel had that one huge slap shot that the kid just got a piece of after straightening up."

Although there were plenty of tears, the Wildcats skated off the Garden ice extremely proud, and rightfully so.

"To lose in the state final was very painful," said Scanlon. "But we wouldn't have changed anything from that game or the entire season. We obviously would have liked to have scored some goals and won the game, but we gave it everything we had."

"I don't think anyone saw the season we had coming. We had all of the ingredients of a good team. We had great goaltending, we had gifted athletes with kids like Siegel and Mello who were a cut above everyone else, and most of all these guys really came together as a team."

With the talent of Siegel, Mello and Cabral, Bruce said Scanlon deserves so much credit for putting it all together in what became the program's

best season in almost a quarter of a century.

"The hockey season was truly special and I saw something in Steve that most people don't get to see as closely as I do and that was his determination to bring the boys to the top," said Bruce. "He believed in them from the beginning and as we got closer to the end of the season he knew this team had 'it'. He wanted so much for them to experience as much as possible and get the most that they could from a high school season. I saw the competitor in him as well because he really wanted to win the last one. At the same time I could see the respect and appreciation he had for the season and the accomplishments."

Goal Kicks

In 2007, Scanlon led the Wildcat boys' soccer team to a share of the Cape Ann League title. It was the first championship of any kind for the program since entering the league, even though Steve's father, Dick, led the soccer teams to a state championship appearance in 1997, which was followed by a trip to the State Semi-Final game in 1998. After losing many tremendously talented soccer players from 2007, Scanlon knew that he had some talented seniors returning, but more importantly a solid group of players coming from the JV team which he hoped would help the team continue its success.

"We graduated so many kids from that 2007 team like Vinny Papageorgiou, Nick Figueiredo and Mike Condell," said Scanlon. "Those guys are really good players. We had Marty Bamberg jump right into the net like we weren't missing a thing and we had a much deeper and more balanced team. We had 12 different kids score at least one goal, and we could just come at you with a lot of different stuff, especially with the weapons we had with (Mike)

Murphy and Gott (Saenchandi)."

Much like the hockey season, the soccer team lost a game early on, first to be exact, to a talented team, this time to Haverhill. After that, the Wildcats enjoyed a 19-game unbeaten streak, and finished just one point away from its second straight co-championship of the league with Masconomet.

Wilmington finished the regular season with an overall record of 13-1-4, the same exact record from the season before.

"The soccer season was more of a question at the beginning but the kids came together real early," said Bruce. "Steve trusted the seniors to lead the team and he allowed them some latitude. I think he genuinely liked this team. I saw a looser Steve than I have ever seen. He opened up a lot more with this team and allowed them to see more of Steve Scanlon the person. He shared his sense of humor more and you know what that is like. I honestly feel that there was a mutual respect between the team and the coach."

The Wildcats then entered the state tournament. Although Wilmington didn't play their best, Scanlon saw his team prevail over Newburyport, 1-0, in penalty kicks, and then a very solid Reading team, 1-0. That put the Wildcats in the sectional semi-final to face none other than Masconomet.

"The state tournament is always very exciting," said Scanlon. "In soccer the knock on us was we would always have good regular seasons but could never do anything in the tournament. We won those two games and advanced to the semi-finals with Masco. That was a real solid game. I know that loss really stung the kids but they all know they really played great."

Wilmington was defeated, 1-0, in double overtime by the Chieftains, ending the team's



Steve Scanlon was all smiles after the Wildcat boys hockey team captured its first ever Division 2 North Sectional title with the dramatic shoot-out victory over Tewksbury. (file photo).

marvelous run.

"We had a real good run," said Scanlon. "That was a good team, a real fun group and we had a lot of fun."

Next on the horizon

Today Scanlon is preparing his 2008-'09 hockey team for its upcoming season which gets underway on Saturday. The team will be marked - every opponent will be gunning to beat the Wildcats and certainly opposing coaches will be vying to defeat Scanlon. After all, he was defeated just five times in 45 games this calendar year.

"No, not really have I thought about (his 32-5-4 combined record)," answered Scanlon. "I don't dwell on that kind of stuff. We want to see kids do well. We try to put them in a position where they can succeed. We want them to experience this stuff so it's something they will always remember as a

player."

A husband and a father of three, Scanlon - a counselor at Pinkerton Academy in New Hampshire - says he has no plans of hanging up the hockey whistle or the soccer clipboard anytime soon.

"I like being with the kids," he said. "And being part of the excitement. For me, I don't play sports anymore, so part of (being a coach) is still being able to compete a couple times a week. I have learned a lot over the years and I'm just trying to pass it along. And it's gratifying when you have former players who go on to coach."

"I have some really great assistant coaches. All of the guys who work with me are great. So I have no plans to give it up. I'd like to keep going as long as I'm having fun."




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Strug takes trip to Gym Street USA

By ANDREA CORRIVEAU
Sports Correspondent

The winding hallways of Gym Street USA in Wilmington were far from empty this past Saturday, as Olympic Gold Medalist Kerri Strug was there coaching clinics throughout the day.

Every balance beam, uneven bar, and vault was in use as Strug sat close by, signing autographs and interacting with the young gymnastics students.

Having only been open about a year, this was the first event of its kind for Gym Street USA. For Strug, however, it was yet another stop in her coaching tour.

"I've been doing [this] since 1996, here and there," she said. "I do have my full time job, but on the weekends and if it's a special event or whatnot, a gym opening, things like that, then people contact me. I like to go to different gym clubs and say hi to the kids, help coach in there with different camps and clinics."

Strug, 31, competed in the 1992 and 1996 Olympics. In 1996, she was referred to as one of the "Magnificent Seven." But she was mostly remembered for her heroic performance on the floor exercise. On the landing of her first attempt on the final rotation, Strug fell and injured her ankle, posting a 9.162 score. Due to some confusion with the team scores, Strug had to perform again,



Former Olympian Kerri Strug appeared at Wilmington's Gym Street USA on Saturday, teaching gymnastics to children.

despite her injury. She limped on one foot, and somehow pulled out an incredible 9.712 score, which gave the American Gymnasts team the Gold Medal.

After that performance, Strug became a national sports hero. "Since the Olympics, I went to college and then I taught for a little bit," said Strug. "Now I live in Washington, DC and I work for the Department of Justice."

The event was open to anyone, of any age group that wished to sign up.

"[Kerri] basically takes a group of girls and just kind of guides them through what their proper technique is," said Gym Street USA's owner, Charlie Souza. "The first group loved it."

Strug, who tends to work with the more advanced level gymnasts, smiled as she said that she "likes the little ones as well." She also made a point to express what she really wanted her students to take from the lessons.

"At each appearance, it's a little bit different," she said. "I do often times go in, show my video and critique, and try to send the message that it's important you find something you love. You know, maybe today it's gymnastics, maybe in the future it'll be something else, but you've got to set goals, big and small and go for them, and it's not easy."

"[I] tell my story and then work it into their life and encourage them to figure out what they want to do and do it. You're going to fall down, literally and figuratively, but you've got to get back up."

Figueiredo continues to excel in a different sport

By DAN IGO
Sports Correspondent

After winning award after award on the soccer pitch, Matt Figueiredo has set his sights on the indoor track world.

The Salem State freshman continues to impress in his first year in college athletics. The soccer star was honored as the Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference Rookie of the Year as well as taking home second-team All-Conference honors. Last week, he came in fourth place in the 55 meter dash at the Smith College Winter Classic. His time of 6.79 qualified him for the New England Championships.

Sammy Macy of Tewksbury finished off her sophomore season in style by being named a 2008 ECAC All-Star in field hockey. The UMass Lowell forward had a breakout season for the River Hawks, setting school records in goals (28) and points (64). She was also named to the NE-10 All-Conference First Team and to the NFHCA and womensfieldhockey.com All-American First Teams.

Lani Cabral-Pini also continues to rack up hardware. She was honored last week with the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) All-America Scholar-Athlete Award. Scholar-athletes must have acquired at least a 3.5 GPA to qualify for the honor.

Sarah Boudreau scored a season-high 15 points in a losing effort as Westfield State fell to Amherst 80-59 in the final game of the Pioneer Valley Women's Hoop Classic on Saturday. The Tewksbury junior, a guard and captain on the team, was 4-8 from the field and 2-2 from behind the arc. She was 5-8 from the line and added three rebounds. She was named to the All-Tournament Team.

Tewksbury's Kaitlin Rose finished in 15th place in the 1000

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meter run at the "2008 Husky Winter Carnival" held at the Reggie Lewis Center in Boston. The UNH sophomore crossed the line with a time of 3:24.94.

Everlyn Manning of Tewksbury, competed in Saturday's "Jolly Jaunt Race" held in Boston. She finished the 5K course in 72nd place with a time of 22:43.

Two local residents took part in the "Jingle Bell Run" held in Concord, N.H. on Saturday. Rita LaBella, a Tewksbury resident, completed the 5K course at 28:27 and came in 144th place. Sarah May Littlehale also competed, finishing in 331st place.

"The Assault on Mt. Hood 3.5 Mile XC" will be held at noon on Saturday at the Melrose Fish and Game Club. For more information, visit the race's website at: <http://assaultonmthood.melroseunningclub.com/>

Tewksbury P.A.L. Wrestling began its season last week, but late registrations are still being accepted. The cost is \$75 per child with a \$135 max per family. For more information, including a schedule for this season, visit: <http://www.eteamz.com/tewksburypalwrestling/index.cfm>

The Tewksbury Youth Skating Association is urging participation from parents in hopes of winning a \$2500 grant from Liberty Mutual. The insurance company is awarding community grants as a part of its "Responsible Sports" program.

For more information on how you can help, go to: <http://www.tysaredmen.com/>.

Tewksbury Youth Soccer is accepting online registrations until the end of January for the under-16 and under-18 boys' teams this spring. Those interested should visit the league's website at: <http://www.tewksburyyouthsoccer.org/>.

Tewksbury Girls Softball has numerous open positions on its Board of Directors. The league's website has a list of all positions and information for those who are interested: <http://www.eteamz.com/tgs/>.

Congratulations to the Wilmington Pop Warner Cheerleading "D" team. They placed second in nationals after finishing second in the New England Championships.

Walk-in registrations will be held for Wilmington Youth Baseball this Saturday at the 4th of July Building. Online registrations are also being accepted until that date. More information can be found on the league's website: <http://www.wilmingtonlittleleague.org/>

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This column will continue weekly. If you have any information you feel should be featured in this column, feel free to e-mail me at: dan.j.igo@gmail.com.

Hurley performs at Mill City Gymnastics

Two members of the Mill City Gymnastics School of Tewksbury flipped into highest All Around honors at a gymnastics competition held Sunday, December.

Ellen Horan of Westford and Kayla Hurley of Tewksbury tied for first place in the meet, which saw more than 50 gymnasts from seven schools entered in the

hard-fought competition. Horan and Hurley each garnered a total of 33.85 points for four events: Floor Exercise, Vault, Bars and Balance Beam.

Horan captured first place in Floor Exercise, Vault and Bars, while Hurley took first place in the Balance Beam. Additionally, Horan earned 3rd place in the

Balance Beam, with Hurley picking up 2nd place in both Floor Exercise and Vault, and 3rd place in Bars.

The Mill City girls are preparing for the next meet which will be held at Mill City Gymnastics on Saturday, December 13th.



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Tewksbury Youth Travel Basketball wrap-up

The Tewksbury 5th grade Girls Travel Basketball team opened its season this past weekend with two big wins. On Saturday the young Lady Redmen traveled to Merrimack NH. and pulled off a thrilling hard fought 18-17 win over a tough Merrimack Squad on a big basket by Estelle Penta with 20 seconds left. Tewksbury led the low scoring affair 7-6 heading into the half and were able to stretch the lead to 10-6 early in the second half.

The Merrimack girls never stopped battling and eventually were able to take a 17-14 lead off late game full court press. Ally Kelly (4 points) hit a couple of big free throws to cut the lead to 17-16 and it remained that way until Penta hit the winning shot with :20 left on the clock. Despite giving up some height under the boards the Tewksbury girls scrapped for every rebound and were led by the strong rebounding of Molly Robertson (3 points), Erin Henry (1 point), Nicole Petherbridge, Karalyn Gallela (2 points) and Haley Pozzuto. Also scoring in the well balanced scoring attack that had seven different scorers were: Meghan Braciska (2pts) and Emily Velzo (2pts).

On Sunday the 5th grade Girls

returned home to face the Wilmington Wildcats and were able to overcome a slow start to pull of a 20-12 victory. For the second game in a row the Redman girls were able to balance the scoring with seven different players scoring points. Scoring for the Redmen were: Haley Pozzuto (2 points), Karalyn Gallela (2 points), Delaney Chisholm (2 points), Nicole Petherbridge (3 points), Erin Henry (3 points), Estelle Penta (4 points) and Molly Robertson (4 points). Defensively the Lady Redman were led by Molly Harrington, Emily Velzo, Kirsten Dick and Molly Harrington.

This weekend the Ladies will be home Saturday Night at 6:30PM at the Ryan School for what promises to be a thrilling rematch with the squad from Merrimack before heading to Pentucket on Sunday afternoon.

8B Girls

The Tewksbury Girls 8B Travel Team opened the season with a decisive 45-26 win over Methuen.

After trailing Methuen at the start of the game the Redmen turned the heat up on their press and never let up. Katherine Stimpson (9 points),

Rachel Pendleton (8 points) and Meredith Bonugli (8 points) lead the scoring with Kim Tecce and Meredith contributing many assists.

Other scoring included Sam Laferriere (5), Abby Donoghue (5), Shana Chartienitz (4) with Ashley Pozzuto, Melissa Peters and Kim Tecce each contributing 2 points. Jen Iannacci played strong on the boards against some tough Methuen players and lead the team in both offensive and defensive rebounding.

Sam Laferriere slowed the Methuen offense with many blocked shots accompanied by an impressive defense played by Melissa Peters, Haley Callahan, Ashley Pozzuto, Abby Donoghue and Shana Chartienitz. Meredith Bonugli lead the team in steals with a relentless press.

The team wowed the crowd with some very impressive ball handling and showed a fabulous team effort in the overall win. A great start to the season.

6th Grade Boys

On Thursday night the 6th grade boys team traveled to Methuen and beat a talented team 50-43. The game was very competitive with neither team ever having more than a 4-point

lead. James Sullivan scored a monstrous 43 points in the win. Tewksbury showed great team poise and unselfishness as they continually fed Sullivan who couldn't be stopped. On most teams everyone wants to shoot but the Redmen went with what worked until it didn't.

Chris Caron hit a big bucket to put the Redmen up by 4 with 3 minutes to play. Michael Strangie had 4 assists and Ethan Elói and Mike Milano each had 3. Justin Derrah added 2 points to help in the win and Derek McGaffigan (5 assists) and Shayne Russell played solid defense down the stretch to help seal the win 50-43.

Westford handed the Redmen their first loss 41-35 on Saturday. Tewksbury couldn't stop Westford's slashing offense. Westford scored 22 uncontested points off of back door plays. Tewksbury led at halftime 19-14. James Sullivan led the Redmen with 22 points. Sullivan also had 11 rebounds. Westford opened the 2nd half with 7 points to lead by 2. Michael Strangie took a nice pass from PJ Wild and hit a 13-foot runner to pull the Redmen even at 22 all.

Westford continued to score easy baskets on pick and role

plays and stretched their lead to 7. Derek McGaffigan (6 point) hit a nice 10 footer and was fouled. He hit the free throw to pull the Redmen within 3 - 36-33 with 3:01 to play. Tewksbury would also get points from Justin Derrah, Nick Fiore (2 each) and Chris Caron 1 point. PJ Wild, Mike Milano and Shayne Russell all battled hard on the defensive end but it was a little too late as Westford won 41-35.

7th Grade Red Boys

The 7th Grade Red Boys Travel Team had a rough week. They headed to Lowell on Thursday night to take on one of the best "A" Division teams in the area.

Lowell dominated from beginning to end as the Redmen boys just could not get anything positive going.

The Redmen hung tough early in the game playing some solid team defense, but Lowell's quick zone defense kept the Redmen out-of-sink throughout. Matt Lacascia (5 pts), Danny Wilson and Nick Harvey all played well for the Redmen battling underneath for rebounds and Christos Kourkoulos played a strong defensive game. The boys traveled to Andover

on Saturday morning to take on another strong foe. The Redmen rebounded from Thursday nights' malaise and played a very good overall game.

The game was tight throughout; Justin Nobrega (7 pts) and Timmy Donovan each knocked down a three point shot; and Chris Manory powered his way to 7 first half points to keep the Redmen within striking distance at 28-25.

The second half saw more of the same back-and-forth action as the Redmen battled hard but could not catch any breaks and fell 44-41. The Redmen were frustrated by the disparity of the fouls calls (16-5 in favor of Andover) and fouls shot attempts (20-3) but hung tough and almost won at the end. Nick Cambio led the scoring with 12 points and had a key steal that led to a game winning shot attempt.

Kevin Dick (4 pts) had a strong game keeping charge of the offense from the point, and Michael Ryan (4 pts) and Dominic Rosado (2 pts) both had excellent defensive games. Despite the tough loss it was good to see the team come out of their Lowell-fed-funk and

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Tewksbury In-Town youth boys basketball highlights

Intermediate Division Hornets 39, Sixers 32

The end result of this one was an outstanding come from behind Hornets win against a very good 76er team. The comeback started thanks to the inspired effort of Brendan O'Connor. He essentially put on a one man full court press which not only disrupted the opponent's rhythm, it also inspired his teammates to ratchet up their collective games and shook the Hornets out of their early lethargy. The backcourt tandem of Andrew Rogers (8 pts) and Nick Falcone (7 pts) picked up on O'Connor's lead with some

inspired defense of their own, and offensively both began attacking the basket. Chris Allen chipped in with 8 points and some outstanding defense on one of the Sixers top players. Ryan Panessiti drained two nice outside shots and Ryan O'Neil chipped in a basket and some nice passing. In all, 9 Hornets contributed to the scoring in a victory that was very much a total team effort. True to fashion in these first 3 weeks, the Sixers sprinted to yet another early lead but could not hold.

For the 76ers, Cameron Skinner, Joey Martel, and Ryan Bednarek drew the tough

assignments on defense and did a fantastic job playing solid man-to-man D. Mack Boucher made an impact at both ends of the court with his strong play under the hoop and multiple steals on the wing. Billy Petherbridge had the hot hand early, dropping in 10 pts from the low post. Robbie Yates played another terrific 2-way game and added 6 pts to the cause. Mike Reznikow found the lane several times and ended the game with 5 pts, converting buckets after some nifty drives.

Jazz 37, Raptors 20
Balanced scoring, team defense and good passing were

the keys to this victory for the Jazz. They played very well sharing the rock, and it paid off with seven different players scoring. Tommy Madore (8 pts) played a strong overall game with some slashing drives and Henry Roberts hustled all over the floor to lead the scoring with 10 points. The Jazz "big 3" Danny Donovan, Jim Doran and Adam Rekkie controlled the middle, combining for 13 points and numerous rebounds. Robbie Cofer (4 pts) was a spark plug on the floor and Andrew Langone powered his way for one bucket and played some tough defense. Patrick Poirier and Thomas Catyb played their men tough which led to some defensive steals and fast break points for their teammates.

The Raptors were led by the hard defensive work of Nick Valente, Josh Kenny, Rory Foley, and Jake Mackey. Some key scoring by Evan Saunders, Brian Conneely, Sean Derrah, and Mike Brawley kept the game close until late in the third quarter. The Raptors continued to get some key rebounds led by Matt Corriveau, Chris Catizone, and Andrew Carta. This led to many follow up shots but they would not drop. The Raptors continue to work very hard on both sides of the ball and have shown great enthusiasm and determination.

Nuggets defeat Bobcats

The Nuggets played against a physically larger and stronger team in the Bobcats. The Bobcats took it to the Nuggets in the first quarter, but the Nuggets used their speed and quickness to overtake the Bobcats for the win. Led by Paul Fleury and the shooting of Ryan Letourneau, the Nuggets surged ahead in the second quarter. Alex Botazzi, Tim Lynch, and Ryan Anderson had their hands full under the basket. They battled the Bobcats for rebounds and made them work for the easy shots.

The real difference was the defensive pressure. Mike Charbonneau led the team in

steals while William Ramsey and Joey Felix played with a lot of energy and cut off passes for some fast breaks. Eric Ell, Ali Reza-Reyes, and Will LeRette played consistently on both offense and defense. Once again, a fine team effort to secure the win.

Pistons 32, Celtics 24

In a back and forth battle, the Pistons used a great team effort to break into the win column by defeating a strong Celtics team. The Pistons offense was run by guards Nick Dulock (10 pts), Bobby Briggs, and Ronald Tam who distributed the ball to their teammates and controlled the pace of the game. Lucas Theisen (4 pts) had a couple of great steals and played two positions to help the team.

In the 3rd quarter, both offenses kicked it up a notch; leading the charge for the Pistons were Cam White and Will Hopkins who each scored 4 pts in the quarter. Anthony Barinelli (6 pts) gave the Pistons a 2 point lead to end the 3rd. Andrew Bryan, Derek Law (2 pts), and Aaron Wenetta (2 pts) continue to play strong in the center and forward positions. In the end, the Pistons applied a tenacious man to man defense and full court press led by Brian Tam which stifled the Celtics offense.

Danny Sawicki started the Celtics scoring in the first quarter with a couple of buckets. Danny also played a solid game on both ends of the court, pressing the ball handlers, grabbing numerous rebounds, and scored a team high 10 points. Jon Tower finished the afternoon with 4 points.

Craig Harkins played hard on both ends of the court, applying constant pressure on the Pistons ball handlers and finishing the afternoon with 4 points. Ricky Merrick did a good job rebounding on both ends of the court, and scored 4 points. Adam Lee (2 pts) constantly applied pressure on defense and gathered numerous rebounds. Jacob Keefe would constantly press the

Pistons ball handlers, and had a few shots that just missed. Zach Maia, Jake Paolucci, Matt Cocca, and Garrett Goempel played a good game fighting for position and attempting to pull in the rebounds. Kyle Fleury was hustling all over the court, helping out on both sides and setting up numerous plays.

Heat Outpace Bullets The Heat displayed a solid team effort against the Bullets with a balanced offense and sound defense. The Bullets were kept at bay with stout defense in the passing lanes by Arjun Prakash, Ryan Murphy, Chris Meehan and Joshua Walker. Ricky Berquist, Andrew Magnell and Shawn Jones were the top scorers with the others hoops spread out between the rest of the team.

Michael Baker and Dylan Bartolomeu made several successful drives after receiving the ball from leading rebounders Austin Harrington and Alex Erwin. The game got exciting in the fourth quarter when the Bullets mounted a comeback but in the end they could not beat the clock. Chris Demattia led all Bullets scorers with 12 points, followed by Robert Papandrea with 6. David Barry had 4 points while Colin Brace, Paul Salibe and John Giuggio each had 2 points apiece. Playing very well defensively was Andrew Lanza at center, Steven Lee, Nick McLaughlin and Michael Lanza.

First year player Lanza played especially well at center for the Bullets. Andrew definitely left it all on the floor with his outstanding hustle and determination.

Friars 36, Sonics 25

The Friars broke open a tight game with a big third quarter to come away with a 36-25 win over the Sonics. Justin Whitehouse was high scorer for the Friars. John Saunders scored, rebounded, and defended to lead the team. David Dempsey played a solid game

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Tewksbury Youth Travel Basketball wrap-up

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play a solid game against a tough team.

7th grade White Boys

The 7th Grade White team played their second league game against Billerica on Saturday. It was a very physical and fast paced game. Every player on the team played with tremendous effort. Kevin Haley led the team in scoring with 12 points. The team was hot from the outside making three 3 pointers. The half time score was Tewksbury 22-Billerica 21.

Robert Hatzikonstantis scored 7 points, John Cave hit a nice three, Connor Sullivan, Joe Gershman and Eddie Duffy each scored a bucket. Joey Mason was a sniper from the outside with six points and Evan Sepulveda had six rebounds. The team defense broke down at times, which let Billerica take the victory. Final score Billerica 50-Tewksbury 40.

The team played again on Sunday against Chelmsford. The men were determined to get a win and it showed in all phases of the game. The defense and offense was in harmony. John Cave, Anthony Monteneri, Brandon Hibner

and Joe Gershman led the defensive wall. This was the key factor why Tewksbury led at the half 23-21.

The offense was perfectly tuned and fast like a Ferrari engine. Kevin Haley was an offensive machine scoring a game high 18 points. Brandon Evangelista made some nice shots from the outside, which produced 8 points. Evan Sepulveda was a force in the paint with 8 points and a game high 12 rebounds. Nick Bain hit for 6 points and had two nice block shots on the defensive end and Robert Hatzikonstantis scored 4 points. Connor Sullivan made a pair of free throws, Eddie Duffy and Joey Mason each scored two points. The team won the game 50-44. The Redmen are now 2-1 in league and if they continue to play like they did today they will have a very successful season.

8th Grade Red Boys

Tewksbury 8th Grade Red defeated the Wilmington Wildcats in a local MYVB match-up at the Lowell Catholic gym, Saturday.

Tewksbury jumped out in front as Matt Skotz (8 points) hit a jumper and Cam Oliveira

(3 pts.) added 1 for 2 from the line. Wilmington answered as the Wildcats hit a three point shot and a couple of free throws, the game tied early at 5-5. Joe Penta (game high - 18 pts.) tipped in several offensive rebounds late in the first half, but Wilmington scored on inside lay-ups and a couple of free throws, Wilmington leading 17-15 at the half.

Tewksbury started the second half on a 14-3 run as Nate Mooney (4 pts.) scored off the fast break, while Joe Veloza (4 pts.) hit on a couple of inside moves, Tewksbury taking a 29-20 lead. Dan Petrie, Zac Dirocco and Eric Hunter continued to apply defensive pressure, while Bryan Cymbura (6 pts.) drove the lane, as Tewksbury extended their lead to 43-23 mid way through the second half.

The Wildcats came back hitting on outside jumpers and hitting lay-ups off their fast break, but Matt Blaisdell (5 pts.) powered his way inside for a couple of lay-ups and hit one for two from the line, the Redmen holding off the Wildcats by a final score of 48-32.

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Wilmington Squirt 3's skate away with a couple of wins

The Wilmington Squirt 3 Wildcats made a clean sweep this past weekend.

First up on Saturday was the Winthrop Vikings at Kasabuski Arena in Saugus. First on the board was Wilmington when Center Ryan Maher came down the slot after taking a pass from Jocelyn Sullivan. Thirty seconds later Sully added her own tally when she poked in a rebound from Sarah King.

On the other end, Defensemen Brendan McGaffigan, Bret Malone and Spenser Maffei

kept the Vikings away from net minder Christiaan Medugno for the first half of the period.

At 6:49 Matt Blair tipped in a Sarah King shot to go up by 3. Winthrop struck back at 5:33 when the popped a rebound by a prone Medugno. With 2 minutes left in the period, Jonathon Simmons finished off a play from Blair and Ellen Farrell to go up 4-1.

The Vikings hit again with 12 seconds left on a stolen pass. The middle period saw some great skating with both teams trading goals. Samantha Grasso teamed up with line-mates Blair and David

Peterson to really pressure Winthrop. They came within one goal at 7:49 when a shot ramped off Christiaan's stick and went off his shoulder and in top corner. Matt Blair won the face-off and passed to David Peterson who went straight in to make it 5-3.

Two minutes later Winthrop picked up a power play goal when Simmons went off for a crosscheck. A deflection off a skate brought them within 1. Matt Blair took the face-off and ran it in to make it a two goal game again. In the third period, Ellen Farrell put it away with 2 minutes left when she

popped in a Blair rebound. Final score was Wildcats 7, Vikings 4.

Next up on Sunday was the Saugus Sachems Squirt 2 team, at Breakaway Ice Center in Tewksbury. The Wildcats took the ice all pumped up about the return of teammate Jamie Stone, coming back from a concussion. Jamie wasted no time getting involved with the play on her starting shift with Ryan Maher and Sarah King. Wildcat goalie Christiaan Medugno did a couple of dances in net to keep Saugus at bay.

The only scoring in the first

period was when Jocelyn Sullivan tipped in a Sarah King shot at 7:18.

The second period saw the defense of Malone, Maffei and McGaffigan, aided by Peterson and Maher, break up a lot of good plays. Sam Grasso managed to get a stick on a few passes, giving Wilmington an edge.

Saugus tied it up on a shot off Medugno's glove. They went ahead a few minutes later on a third rebound over a prone Christiaan. Wilmington tied it up again when David Peterson went in on a breakaway, ending the period, 2-2.

The third stanza saw the Wildcats storm back when Peterson ran down the right side and Simmons deflected it in. Sarah King picked up a Matt Blair pass and slammed an in and out clanger to go up 4-2. Saugus tried to come back at 1:51 when a screen shot got in.

With 44 seconds left, Ellen Farrell swiped a pass at the blueline that she handed to Peterson. David drove in towards the empty net and gave Coach John Malone's Wildcats a 5-3 win.

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CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Meeting will be held in Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887, on Wednesday, December 17, 2008 at 6:30 p.m., in compliance with provisions of M.G.L. Chap. 131, Section 40, and 310 C.M.R. 10.00 on a Request for a Determination of Applicability, filed by Kendra Shea c/a Tectron Defense Systems, 201 Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA, 01887, applicant. The applicant is proposing to remove six trees. This work is within the 100-foot buffer zone of bordering vegetated wetlands and 200-foot Riverfront Area as designated by the MA Wetlands Protection Act, M.G.L. Chapter 131, Sect. 40 and 310 CMR 10.00. This property is shown on Assessor's Map 48 Parcel 73A, 201 Lowell Street, Wilmington, MA, 01887. A copy of the plan is on file at the Planning & Conservation Department, Room 6, Wilmington Town Hall, and may be inspected between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. 12.10.08 Beverly Shea, Chair
6669 Conservation Commission

LEGAL NOTICE

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Baseball Umpire's Clinic to begin soon

The Greater Lowell Baseball Umpires Association will be conducting a series of clinics for anyone (male/female) over the age of 14, who wishes to become a certified baseball umpire in the rules of major league Baseball.

Any one interested should call the GLBUA Clinician Bob Dicey @ 603-598-1686 for more information or log onto the Association web site at vv

The classes will begin on Saturdays January 17, 24, 31 and February 7, 14 and 21, 2009. The clinics will be held at Hunt Gym in Concord, MA at 10 am. The Hunt Gym is located on Stow St, adjacent to Emerson Playground.

Bruins and Canadiens tickets on sale

WILMINGTON - Could this be the breakout season for our Bruins? The Wilmington Recreation Department has tickets to the Boston Bruins vs. Montreal Canadiens game at the TD Banknorth Garden on Tuesday, January 13, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. Cost is \$87 for a Loge seat or \$39 for a balcony seat.

Call now for availability for this much sought-after game.

Call the Recreation Department at (978) 658 - 4270 for more information, or stop by the office at Town Hall, room 8 to reserve tickets.

Coming Next Week

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Late of WILMINGTON,
IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that GAYLE STONE-TURESKY, of BOSTON, in the County of SUFFOLK be appointed public administratrix of said estate with sureties on his bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said court at Cambridge, on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on DECEMBER 29, 2008.

Witness, HON. PETER C. DI GANGI, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Cambridge the fifth day of December, in the year of our Lord two thousand and eight.
6671 Marie A Gardin
12.10.08 Acting Register

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN MEETING

FORMER AGFA CORPORATION FACILITY
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WILMINGTON, MA
Release Tracking Number:
3-17097
Permit Number: W023879

Agfa Corporation received a petition from 10 residents in the Town of Reading requesting this location be designated as a Public Involvement Plan site, in accordance with MGL c.21E §14(a). Agfa Corporation designated the 80 Industrial Way Site as a Public Involvement Plan (PIP) site on November 18, 2005. Agfa conducted its first public meeting on December 20, 2005 to present the draft Public Involvement Plan and to provide an update on response actions at the site. Additional public meetings were conducted on December 12, 2006 and December 18, 2007 to provide updates on response actions at the site. A fourth public meeting will be conducted in the Community Room at the Reading Police Station, 15 Union Street, at 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, December 17, 2008 to provide additional updates on the site. Copies of documents related to this site are available in the Public Information Repository located in the Reading Library.

Any questions regarding this meeting should be directed to Mr. Christopher Santomassimo, General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer, Agfa Corporation, 100 Challenger Road, Ridgefield Park, NJ, 07660, at 201-373-4008, or christopher.santomassimo@agfa.com.
6664 12/10/08

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE OF INTENT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on December 17, 2008 at 7:05 p.m. in Tewksbury Town Hall Auditorium, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by David Donovan for a Notice of Intent. Said Property is located on 165 & 166 McCarthy Way. Assessor's Map(s) 81 Lot(s) 63 & 254. Construction of a single family residential dwelling.

The application may be examined in the Community Development Department, 999 Whipple Road, Tewksbury, MA (978-640-4370 x236) Monday thru Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.
12/10/08 Stan Folta
CHAIRMAN

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6667 Conservation Commission

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY



TEWKSBURY FIRE DEPARTMENT

INVITATION TO BID

The Town of Tewksbury will receive sealed Bids for a New Emergency Medical Vehicle for the Tewksbury Fire Department. Bid documents are available from the Office of the Fire Chief, 21 Town Hall Avenue, Tewksbury, MA, 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Sealed Bids will be accepted until Friday, January 2, 2009 at 2:00 P.M.

The Town reserves the right to waive any informalities and to reject any and all bids. Wholly and in part, and to accept any bid or part thereof deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.

6663 Richard Mackey
Fire Chief
12/10/08 Town of Tewksbury

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6665 Conservation Commission

is offered. The successful bidder will be required to execute a Foreclosure Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid within thirty (30) days from the sale date in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney. The Mortgagee reserves the right to bid at the sale, to reject any and all bids, to continue the sale and to amend the terms of the sale by written or oral announcement made before or during the foreclosure sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in the publication. TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.

Other terms if any, to be announced at the sale.

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A deposit of FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS (\$5,000.00) in the form of a certified check or bank treasurer's check will be required to be delivered at or before the time the bid

Tewksbury In-Town Youth Boys Basketball highlights

FROM PAGE SP5C

on both ends of the floor while Anthony Darrigo, Mike Boudreau, Justin Amaral, Jared Martin, and Patrick O'Brien rounded out the scoring. Joe Darrigo and Dan Conway chipped in to slow down the fast paced Sonics. Despite coming up short to a quick and tenacious Friars team, the Sonics played an outstanding game.

The Sonics offense displayed excellent passing and made smart decisions. Jeff Donahue led the scoring with 8 points. Cole Iovine, Mike Burns, and Bryan Foti each added 4 points. James Hirtle and Dennis Dingman also added a basket. It was one of those games where the offense put up many good shots, but they just didn't fall through the net. The Sonics defense was relentless, containing a couple of key Friars players and forcing many turnovers. Josh Gadue and Bobby Nicholas were especially strong as defensive centers the entire game.

Jr. League

Sixers 24, Warriors 8

The Sixers' offense was led by Brian Nazaire with 10 pts, Jake Aceto 6 pts, Matt Bodoni 4pts and scoring his first two baskets of the season was Johnathan Zurawski for 4 pts. On defense, pressure was applied continuously by Aceto, John Ciampa, Alex Benning and Nolan MacDonald. Holding down the middle of the defense were James Wink, Jimmy Boucher and Ed Gallagher.

Kings 18, Blue Devils 16

The Blue Devils came flying out of the gate Saturday, as Brady Rogers and TJ Taddia each scored 4 points and Tyler Wilson added a bucket. Brady added another bucket in the third and then as time ran out, Andrew Smith grabbed a rebound and laid it back in for his first hoop of the season.

On the boards Brady, Tyler, Ryan Barry, Austin Nichols, Aaron Whitehouse and Andrew Smith were animals. Defensively, Austin and Paul led one unit, while Aaron,

Justin and Shaun led the other. Roy Mallach had his best all around game and Shaun Yu almost jumped out of the gym to grab a rebound.

For the Kings, Jacob Larsen won the OT jump, tipping the ball out to Chad Oliveira who went in for an easy shot, scoring what was to be the winning hoop. It was a fast paced physical game with each team giving it their all. For the Kings, Chad Oliveira was the top scorer with 8 points, followed closely by Joshua Tirrel with 6 and Brett McAllister with the remaining 4.

Wizards 24, Cavs 12

The Cavs played hard against the Wizards on Saturday but came up short in the end. Strong defense was given by Ameen Kalkhoran and Robbie Gilligan while working hard on the offensive side were Trevor Breen and David Pesantes. The first three quarters were tough on the Cavs, with a lot of dribbling and passing to Quinn Conrad who put great effort into the game. They started to come back in the fourth quarter by scoring ten points but did not have time to catch up to the Wizards. It was a great game between the teams and a lot of hard work by every player.

Spurs 23, Mavs 12

The Spurs, who are known for their strong defensive play, needed their offense to increase its production in order to compete against the Mavericks. The first quarter of the game was evenly matched with both teams playing strong defense and capitalizing on turnovers. However, during the second quarter, the Spurs offense exploded and the team poured in 20 points in the last three quarters to seal the win.

Leading the offensive attack of the Spurs were Steve Hammel (8), Steve Catanzano (6), Mike Catanzano (6), Patrick Alves (2) and Justin Keough (1).

Defensively, the team continued its strong play with Brandon Alves, Matthew Mitchell, Patrick Brothers and Ryan Casino leading the way.

The Spurs continue to improve week after week and quickly are becoming a force in the league.

Other Scores

Hornets 14, Clippers 12

Eagles 13, Celtics 9

Sr. League

Sixers 64, Bucks 39

The Sixers really had their eyes open in this game which resulted in some great passing and an early lead. The Bucks hung tough and never let the lead go past 18 until the 4th quarter when Sixers broke it open a little bit more. In the last 4 minutes, the Buck picked it up again and held the Sixers to only 2 points. Scoring for the Sixers were David Summiel with 22 points, Louie LaMarca with 16, Devin Summiel with 10, Joe Hulme with 7, Kevin Saunders with 6 and Vinny Barinelli with 2.

All the Sixers worked very hard on defense but Kevin Bryan and Keagan Mahoney deserve special mention as they were asked to play a few different roles and stepped up in each.

The Bucks were led by Zach Demarco for the second straight week with 12 points, including one 3-pointer from downtown. Unfortunately, the Bucks were facing a veteran team of Sixers with a short bench and never really were able to take the lead and gain control of the game.

The Bucks scoring was evenly distributed with Paul Cogan hitting on 4 baskets for 8 points, Ryan Vibber had 7 points, Roy Felix had 5 points with many key rebounds and Anthony Arcari had 4 points.

Hornets 50, Lakers 47

The Hornets prevailed in a tight, hard fought battle that went right down to the end, with all 10 Hornets contributing to the scoring. Allyn Hood led a balanced attack with 13 points and a solid effort on the boards. Chris Boyages added 10 and some terrific defense at the end of the game. David Woodworth came up huge at the end with 5 points in the 4th and his usual relentless hustle

and defense.

Matt Baptista (2 pts) was solid inside all afternoon and Cam Murphy contributed 5 points and some outstanding defense. Bobby Lombard played a solid floor game and could have had double figure assists except for some missed 'bunnies' by his teammates. The contest was a struggle throughout for the Hornets and the gritty tenacity of their opponents had a lot to do with that.

Hawks 51, Pacers 17

The Hawks got off to a fast start in the first quarter with a 14-0 run, led by Sean Foley and Jordan Griffin. In the 2nd, the Hawks were able to increase their lead with great offensive production from Ryan Silva and Colon Foley and great defense from Alex Smith and Brendan Foirt. At the half, the Hawks led 26-7. In the 3rd, Mike Balway led the way offensively with help from Keon Horhan. In the 4th, Jake Moulton led on both sides of the ball.

Magic 42, Jazz 33

The first period was a defensive battle and the Magic found themselves behind 6 - 4. Rebounding was strong in the 2nd and the Magic enjoyed a 15 - 12 lead at half time. Joey Gonsalves' 5 point half led all scorers. Marty Glynn and Dylan Cullen had strong games boxing out and offensively rebounding for good scoring opportunities.

The Magic found themselves tied after 3, 27 - 27. Billy McAllister and Chris Burak were everywhere, coming up with loose ball after loose ball. Tim Glynn tried to open up lanes with good picks. Sean Doucette scored 4 of his team high 12 points in the 4th. Joey Gonsalves hit a pretty 3-pointer to score 8 for the game. Michael Doucette scored 2 of his six in the last minute, while blocking shots and dominating the boards with Kevin Leary (8 pts).

Cory Cataldo also scored 4 of his 8 points. Cory played a strong game on both sides of

the ball. For the Jazz, Chris Fandel was a force on both ends, scoring a game high 12 points.

Their defense led by Mike Demaio, Brian Connell, Richard Estevao and Cam Cathart. They were a force in stopping the quick forwards of the Magic and keeping the score close. Dan McNeil led the 2nd half offense with 5 points, keeping the game on a seesaw. Jacob Champoux contributed 6 points and Tyler Stein 2 points. Nick Campbell did not score but had his hands on many rebounds.

The 3rd quarter saw a great effort by the Jazz and Jeremy Kozik, 5 points, hit a three point shot at the end of the 3rd to pull the score even at 27.

Rockets 59, Bobcats 47

The Rockets came away with a big win over the tough and determined Bobcats team on Saturday. Jamal Choudhary and Joey Johnson both played excellent defense at the top of the key the whole game. Craig Semenza and Patrick Taylor combined for 47 points along with some great ball handling and passing. Tyler White and Alex Dane did a great job working the ball against the Bobcats' full court press.

Ryan Tirabassi did a great job on defense and showed a lot of hustle throughout the game. Mike Stowell and Christian Taylor were fantastic underneath with defense and rebounding. Anthony Paulino had a great game on defense and rebounded on both sides of the court.

Raptors 61, Blazers 27

Alec Pacheco led the Blazers with 11 points. Ben Bourne and Scott Thurlow played very well each scoring 5. The team worked hard in the first half with Matt Elia and Ryan Finneral hustling on both ends of the court. Jimmy Farley got the Blazers started in the 3rd by draining a long jumper. Josh Whelton and James Francios were defensive standouts, working hard inside and playing very physical.

Pat Fronduto and Kevin Teves

did a great job all game hustling on defense and working hard for offensive rebounds. In the end the Blazers could not close the gap and dropped a tough game to a very talented Raptors' scoring and other offense standouts were

Dave Minichello and Peter Stratus. Ryan Eatherton was able to convert a couple of free throws early in the game in spite of early foul trouble. Billy Gavin also stepped up big for the Raptors as well as converting a couple of nice driving lay-ups. Jimmy Ferreira was able to convert on a basket before foul trouble bit him as well. In the 2nd half they started to heat up, including baskets by Matt Astuti and Ryan Hodgdon. Chris Blake also converted a couple of baskets during the game.

Overall the passing was a little shaky in the 1st half was much better in the 2nd. Ultimately it was shut down defense by Aaron Doucette and Shawn Houde and good work on the boards by the entire team that limited the Blazers scoring in the 2nd half and proved to be the difference in the game.

Celtics 47, Suns 45

The Celtics pulled away in a great back and forth game, with a buzzer beating shot by Brendan O'Keefe to win it. Brendan O'Keefe led all scorers with 19 points. Jack Cappello played tough defense and was all over the boards, finishing with 8 points. Brandon O'Keefe threw in 6 hard earned inside points. Frank Murray had 5 points, followed by Dillon McTiernan with 4 points. Ryan Anzuoni played tenacious defense with a few steals and 2 points.

Danny Altavesta had a chip shot in the game while Andrew Conserva had one point but was huge on the boards. Corey Lucia and John Bartolomeu played good defense to keep the Celts in the game.

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Local business remains successful, positive

While others say "bailout," local Honda Gallery says "buildout"

By PAUL FEELY

It seems that the only word associated with the automobile industry these days is bailout. But at least one local auto dealership is bucking the national trend, and is throwing around a word that's 180 degrees in the opposite direction - a buildout.

Staff at The Honda Gallery in North Reading are eagerly anticipating a move next year to a new location in Reading,

situated just off Route 128 near the Reading/Wakefield town line at 88 Walkers Brook Drive. At a time when most auto dealerships are struggling to find ways

"It's great, because in this economy, a lot of guys from other dealerships are losing their jobs, and with the new facility we are able to hire them," said Honda Gallery Sales Manager John Fraifer.

"We are looking for new mechanics, new sales staff, new office staff, more counter people, more receptionists, just so we're

to keep the doors open at their current locations, Honda Gallery personnel are eagerly looking forward to opening the doors to a new site.

ready to staff the new building when it's ready."



Bucking the current trend, Honda Gallery has outgrown its North Reading facility and is building a new, state of the art sales and service operation. Opening in April of 2009, Honda Gallery will have a beautiful, 10-car showroom. The building, which will stand two-stories high, will also feature 40 service bays for technicians. "We have a lot of repeat customers, and right now it's all about keeping them," says Sales Manager, John Fraifer.

According to Fraifer, the reason for the relocation is that Honda Gallery has simply outgrown its current location.

At the North Reading address, personnel are working out of a three-car showroom. At the new site in Reading, which is slated to open sometime in April of 2009, salespeople will operate in a 10-car showroom, while the facility (which will stand two-stories high, clearly

visible from nearby Route 128) will also feature 40 service bays for technicians.

"They (the ownership group) felt very strongly that they wanted to stay local to take care of the customers in Reading and

Honda Gallery
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Movie Reviews

by Paul Feely

"PUNISHER: WAR ZONE"



"PUNISHER: WAR ZONE" may be the best cinematic adaptation of the Marvel comic series. Even so, it is still terrible. The only good part is that the action scenes are done right. Wait and rent it. It won't be in theatres long.

"PUNISHER: WAR ZONE"

GRADE: *

"Punisher: War Zone" may be the best cinematic adaptation of the Marvel comic series of the three films made so far. Even so, it's still terrible.

There is enough time between shoot-ups to sit in the darkened theater and examine why you would possibly have decided to spend 103 minutes of your existence viewing this schlock, but then the bullets start flying again and you are distracted once again.

The plot is generic comic

book. Frank Castle (Ray Stevenson) is a former Special Forces instructor and seminarian who loses his wife and children to mob violence. He decides to use his unique skills to punish corruption and those whom the law cannot touch. Donning Kevlar painted with a skull, he cuts a bloody swath through the city, leaving hundreds of dead criminals in his wake.

He's aided by Micro ("Seinfeld's" Wayne Knight), who provides him with guns and information. The Punisher also has many admirers on the

police force, and tips are easy to come by.

Armed with information and a stunning variety of weapons, he attacks a lavish dinner party thrown by the mob. Slaughtering people at the table, he's caught and released, like a deadly fish, by the police, who send him after Billy "The Beut" Russoti (Dominic West) and his gang.

The Punisher tracks them to a dockside recycling center and, during a gunfight, drops the Beut into a glass-recycling machine. The villain emerges chopped to pieces (ala Jack Nicholson in Tim Burton's "Batman") and has a doctor stitch his face up, with hideous results. Renaming himself Jigsaw, and with his insane brother Looney Bin Jim at his side, he vows revenge.

At the same time, the Punisher is grieving over having killed an undercover cop during the fight, and he's trying to help the widow (Julie Benz) and her adorable daughter as best he can. But, of course, Jigsaw comes after them, too.

The result? A gigantic fight, as The Punisher takes on an army of gang members inside a seedy hotel.

The movie was directed by Lexi Alexander, a former world champion kickboxer and stunt-woman, so the action scenes are done right, and are intense and brutal. But not much else is worth seeing in this one, and it wouldn't hurt to wait and rent it when it leaves theaters and hits stores, which will probably happen next week.

"AUSTRALIA"

GRADE: ***

Director Baz Luhrmann's latest, Australia, is a grand epic (with a running time of 2 hours and 45 minutes) featuring larger-than-life characters, emotional turmoil and an easy-to-follow plot that makes this an old-fashioned piece of entertainment that is more emotionally

satisfying than others like it that have come along in recent years.

Aussie superstars Hugh Jackman and Nicole Kidman are cast as opposites who are eventually attracted to each other. He's a rugged man's man who takes great pride in being dependent on no man and belonging to no woman. He works for Lord Ashley, the owner of the Far Away Downs, the only cattle ranch in the Outback not owned by King Carney (Bryon Brown), who's intent on having a monopoly on the industry. His intent is to be the sole supplier of beef to the Australian Army on the eve of World War II, however the arrival of Lady Sarah Ashley (Kidman) puts a kink in his plans. Determined to protect a young half-Aboriginal child, Nullah, and save her late husband's legacy, she decides to deliver the cattle to market herself, with the Jackman's help.

The cattle drive that follows is spectacular, if unbelievable at times. If you don't like melodramatic films, or if the thought of spending over two hours witnessing a story where the hero and heroine kiss at sunset, trade sappy lines with each other, and features a cute kid who makes you gasp whenever he is near danger doesn't appeal to you, stay far away from this film - it is what it is, and it isn't ashamed of it.

Australia is old-fashioned filmmaking on a grand scale that sets out to tell a passionate story on a grand scale and succeeds, though it does overstay its welcome. Luhrmann disproves the notion that "they don't make 'em like they used to," and I for one, wish other filmmakers would follow his lead.

"TWILIGHT"

GRADE: **

What if the 90210 storyline focused on vampires instead of debutantes? The result might be something like we get in "Twilight."

A love flick based on Stephenie Meyer's popular horror/romance novel, filled with some very cheesy dialogue, the surprise for anyone unfamiliar with the book series is how little horror is onscreen and how much romance there is.

Director Catherine Hardwicke isn't trying to make a monster movie, and packs "Twilight" with wry, understated humor, and the movie benefits from the excited performances of the young cast.

Edward Cullen is a pasty, noble member of a family of "vegetarian" vampires, so called because they feed on animal blood, not human. He's drawn to the new junior in school, Bella, but their love cannot be.

If you're a fan of the book, you pretty much have to go, and you won't be disappointed, from what I'm told. And if you're not, the movie's a quick way to get up to speed on this cultural phenomenon.

Calendar of Events

LYNNFIELD ART GUILD SHOW DECEMBER 13

The Lynnfield Art Guild will hold its annual December Art and Crafts Show and Sale on Saturday, December 13 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Meeting House in Lynnfield Center on the Common.

Entrance to the show is free. The show is a great opportunity to purchase fine arts and completely hand-crafted crafts in all price ranges for holiday gift giving, including a large selection of mini paintings, framed paintings, photographs, sculptures and prints.

A raffle of donated great prizes, including gift certificates to area restaurants and hand-made items, will benefit the L.A.G. Scholarship Fund for a student at Lynnfield High School. Raffle tickets are only \$1 each, or six for \$5 and may be purchased at the show.

The Lynnfield Art Guild's yearly membership includes a monthly newsletter, admission to monthly demonstrations, and exhibiting privileges at the December and June shows.

The fee is \$20 per year for artists, crafts persons and photographers. Discounted associate, student and family memberships are also available.

For further information, please visit the annual show or email cta'bot@juno.com.

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Mental Illness (NAMI) is an organization dedicated to providing education, support and advocacy for legislation to ensure a better quality of life for people who have a serious mental illness.

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The next meeting will be on December 15. All family and friends are invited. For more information call 781-438-1851.

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This certificate of completion allows all person, 15 years of age or older to purchase a MA hunting or sporting license. It also allows young men and women between 15 and 17 years old to hunt alone on their Mass. hunting license.

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For additional information, write MA Hunter Education Program, P.O. Box 408, Westminster, MA 01473-0408 or call 978-632-7648.

DATES FOR NEW UMPIRE TRAINING

The Merrimack Valley Umpires Association (MVUA) announces that umpire classes for adult men, women, and teenagers (16 and older) who want to be trained as certified (patched) baseball umpires, will be held on Thursday, January 15 and continue on consecutive Thursdays for the next several weeks. Official Major League Baseball umpires exam will be administered at the end of the class.

The clinics will be held from 6 - 9 p.m. at St. Mary of the Assumption School in Lawrence, 301 Haverhill Street.

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About the Towns

by Phyllis Nissen

CLEAN FIELDS, DOUBLE CROSSINGS, HIDE, SEEK

Goosesteps in Tewksbury

"Residents that frequent Livingston Street parks are likely familiar with a fast, furry blur chasing Canada geese off of playing fields and other town properties," notes the "Tewksbury Town Crier."

"That large ball of fluff is better known as Turk, a trained, pure-bred Border Collie, owned by the town for the express purpose of riding town land of geese, and their droppings."

"Anyone that's been on a soccer field knows about goose feces. It's green, gooey, gross and everywhere. Kids can't help but run in it, then it sticks to cleats, and well...imagination provides the rest."

"Our fields were so bad with goose droppings, the kids didn't want to go there," Recreation Director Roy Patterson told the Crier. "Also, we had a number of reports of infections due to the goose droppings. We could spray the grass, or get fake coyotes, but the only effective thing is the dog."

"It's not uncommon for towns to purchase specially trained dogs to deal with the sanitary issues surrounding geese, that so often seem to like the same bits of land people do. Namely, open fields. Locally headquartered Market Basket helped the town purchase the dog, offsetting some of the costs of acquiring a purebred."

"The average goose produces 2-3 pounds of droppings per day, so it doesn't take a lot of geese to muck up a field. Generally it takes Turk about two weeks to rid an area of geese."

"Getting a dog was the best thing we ever did," said Patterson, who cares for the working canine without compensation. The town does have an account to cover grooming, veterinary care, and basic supplies. "Our fields

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'Ash'gate in Reading

"Representative Bradley H. Jones, Senator Richard R. Tisei and Representative Patrick Natale announce progress being made in the ongoing Ash Street Crossing Gate's Project in Reading," notes the Reading edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"The project, which was approved during the spring, is currently in the design phase with the Massachusetts Bay Commuter Railroad Company. The MBRC is working to purchase the materials needed for the crossing gates, some of which require a long lead time to acquire. The gates are expected to be installed next spring."

"Reading's legislative delegation and local officials have been pushing this project for more than two years as residents in the area have frequently expressed concern over the blowing of train whistles. A temporary ban on the whistle blowing has been in effect for some time now, however, a lack of progress on the gates would have terminated the ban and allowed whistle blowing to resume at the location."

"Representative Jones said, 'It's a nuisance to the community and furthermore a serious public safety issue. Gates are certainly necessary in this particular area and I believe motorists and pedestrians will feel safer crossing the area once these gates are in place.'"

"Installing new crossing gates will significantly improve public safety at this busy location," said Senator Tisei. "I'm pleased that state, town and railroad officials have been able to work together to move this project forward because it will be of

Calendar

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tremendous benefit to the residents of Reading once it's completed."

"The addition of the crossing gates is welcomed news for the residents of Reading," stated Representative Natale. "With the ongoing downtown upgrades, both of these projects should significantly improve public safety along the Route 28 corridor...."

'Tan'tastic in Woburn

"Woburn author and Daily Times Chronicle feature writer Marie Coady of West Woburn has come up with a nice new book entitled, 'Woburn: Hidden Tales of a Tannery Town,'" notes the Woburn edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"Copies of the book and publicity material were released and the 155-page effort is a nice one for someone wanting to learn about the city's tannery heritage as well as some interesting stories."

"The publisher is part of the 'American Chronicles' through The History Press, Inc., in Charleston, South Carolina and Salem, Mass."

"If you weren't born and raised in Woburn, Massachusetts, you're known to the locals as a 'Carpetbagger,' chides the publisher in some publicity materials."

"Some, like author Marie Coady, have spent years attempting to shed the less than flattering name of 'carpetbagger,' but in a city only 13 square miles in size, it's hard to blend in if you aren't a native."

"Ignoring her label, the publicist points out, as a 'non-local,' Coady has uncovered the hidden tales of Woburn, including the tragic stories of the numerous victims lost to the deadly Horn Pond, and the inspiring story of an unbreakable friendship represented by a chain letter that has survived more than 50 years."

"Author Coady points out, 'It took about six or seven months to write it and compile it. Much of the material had been used in columns before.'"

"The big difference, felt Coady, was getting used to the 'big time' marketing techniques and the efficiency of the young people who did the marketing for the History Press, Inc. The sales work is just about totally centralized with the expertise of the publishers. 'They just do things,' she smiles...."

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Athletes & Activities

by Paul Feely

SPORTS SHORTS

***MIDDLESEX EAST SPORTS WEEKLY TRIVIA QUESTION:** What NBA player made the first-ever three-pointer?

Answer appears elsewhere in this column.

***Recently READING POP WARNER'S MIDGET A CHEERING TEAM** competed at the Worcester DCU Center in the Pop Warner New England Championships. The team took 1st place in the advanced small division beating the best teams from NH, RI, CT and MA to become the New England Region Champions.

The team competed against 4 other teams in the Advanced Small Division. Their routine is Funky, and very entertaining. Their stunting is strong and their cheer brought the Reading fans to their feet.

This team is precise in movement, flawless in execution and fun to watch. Their routine is perfected and entertained the crowd and the judges as they performed. They received high scores from all the judges.

After waiting for the last part of the day they announced the A Team as New England Champions and the team is headed to Disney. **LIBBY COLBERT, STACY SANNELLA, CAROLE SAMPSON** and **CINDY CALLAHAN** coach this team.

HANNAH COLBERT is the Jr. Coach and **KELLY SHERIDAN** is the team parent.

The coaches and families of this team are leaving for Disney the 2nd week in December. They will compete at the Disney Wild World of Sports Complex in sunny Orlando Florida. The A team competes on Friday December 12th. They will be competing against the best teams from all over the country including Alaska and Hawaii. The girls have worked hard all year long and have earned this opportunity.

The members of this impressive team are: **NICOLE JUTRAS, ANNA SAMPSON, SERENA CAMPBELL, MIRANDA MURRAY, CARLY LENOX, SYDNEY DISILVA, SOPHIE HUTCHINS, AMANDA DEVINCENT, ELISABETH DECOLOGERO.**

CAITLIN FRIAS, TYLER SHERIDAN, JILL CALLAHAN, JENNA COOPER, SHANNAH COLBERT, OLIVIA POLLOCK, CAROLINE GAREY, LEXI GUENARD, JULIA CROWLEY, JESSICA SCHWARTZ AND ADRIANNA RIZZO.

*Need some help with this week's question? He is a former coach of the Boston Celtics.

***THE GYMNASTICS & MORE GIRLS JUNIOR OLYMPIC TEAM** competed in NESAs meet on November 8 in Westwood.

KATELYN WACKROW, THIRD GRADER AT FRANCIS WYMAN SCHOOL IN WOBURN and a level 5 gymnast, received fourth place all around with a score of 35.675 as well as scoring second on uneven bars (9.0) and fourth on balance beam (9.475).

MOLLY MURPHY, THIRD GRADER AT HURD SCHOOL IN WOBURN and level 5 gymnast, placed third on vault with a 9.1.

The level 5 through 8 girls then went to Middleton the next weekend (November 16th) to compete in the Yellow Jacket's Invitational. Molly placed second all around with a 35.400. She placed second on uneven bars (8.85), third on balance beam (9.0), and fifth on floor (9.15).

Katelyn placed third all around with a score of 35.450. She placed second on uneven bars (9.0), third on vault (8.75), and fourth on floor (9.0).

CASEY ELLIOT, FIFTH GRADER AT REEVES SCHOOL IN WOBURN and level 7 gymnast, placed first on vault with a 9.4 and

received the judge's specialty award of 'Fastest Vault Run.' **KELLY DOHERTY, SIXTH GRADER AT JOYCE MIDDLE SCHOOL IN WOBURN** and level 7 gymnast, scored a 9.25 on floor. The Gym & More Level 6 Team placed 1st and the Level 5 Team placed 2nd!

Giguere Gymnastics held their annual Pilgrim Meet on the weekend of November 21st in Worcester. Both the girls JO team and the Prep Op teams competed. Kaitlyn Wackrow placed first all around with a 36.400. She placed first on balance beam (9.3), second on uneven bars (9.125), third on vault (8.7), and fourth on floor (9.25). Molly Murphy placed fifth all around with a score of 35.200. She placed first on balance beam (9.025), and fifth on floor (9.2), uneven bars (8.7), and vault (8.65).

ANGELA LOMBARDO, FRESHMAN AT READING MEMORIAL HIGH and Prep Intermediate gymnast, placed first on both vault (9.5) and uneven bars (9.05).

Kelly Doherty placed fifth all around with a 35.350 as well as placing second on balance beam (9.2) and receiving a 9.15 on floor. The Gym & More Level 5 Team placed 4th.

***ANSWER TO THIS WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION:** Chris Ford is credited with making the first NBA three-pointer.

***DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING WE DON'T?** If you have information about a local athlete that you would like to see appear in this column, please email it to readingchronicle@comcast.net, or mail it to: Paul Feely, Middlesex East Sports, P.O. Box 240, Reading, Ma., 01867, or call Paul at 781-944-2200.

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John Fraiffer

see you."

North Reading, which makes up the majority of our business, our core group," said Fraiffer. "It's amazing to me. I come from another dealership that was a very good dealership, but the loyalty in this area is like nothing I have seen before. People come to me and say, 'John, I know you're new to the company, but this is my sixth car that I'm buying from this place', or it's the 12th car that their family has bought from this place. It's phenomenal. I had someone tell me, 'You know, I live in Rhode Island but I'm buying my car here because my parents live in this area and they have always come here.' You just don't hear things like that at other dealerships. So we didn't want to move away from here, because we have a lot of loyal customers, as well as a lot of loyal employees. Good help is hard to find, and we didn't want them to have to travel far to get to work."

Another selling point regarding the move was the location. Honda Gallery will be setting up shop in one of the newest, and hottest, retail corridors in the Middlesex East area.

For a town often described as a "bedroom community", in recent years Reading has become one of the state's hotbeds for retail development.

In 2005 a Quincy based developer, Dickinson Development purchased a 33 acre site from the Town of Reading and developed an award winning 450,000 square foot, \$90 million retail complex known as The Crossing at Walkers Brook with Jordan's Furniture and Home Depot as tenants. Since then they have developed a multi story 185,000 square foot modern office build-

ing at 55 Walkers Brook Drive. In short time this was followed by the development of The Hallmark Healthcare office and labs building.

Honda Gallery will have as neighbors Jordan's Furniture, an IMAX Theater, and Fuddrucker's in their landmark plus Home Depot. Other immediate neighbors include Staples, the Paper Store, Bear Rock Café, Starbucks, Romano's Macaroni Grille, Verizon Wireless, Bank of America and Chili's.

In 2006 a 69,000 square foot, \$10 million Super Shop and Shop grocery store was developed and opened. In 2007 Market Basket, a large regional and well known grocery chain leased space at the 128 Reading Retail Center joining with K&G Men's Mart, Creative Playthings, the Reading Athletic Club and Baby Furniture Warehouse.

Over \$100 Million has been invested, in the past few years in this area.

"We're really excited about the area," said Fraiffer. "You look around there, and there's just so much going on. There's only one way to go with that location, and that's up. You get so much exposure, from people going to Home Depot or to Jordan's Furniture, or to the restaurants across the street, plus you will be able to see us from the highway, and we're hoping that with our reputation and good word of mouth, we'll be able to get people to get off the highway, come down the offramp and right into our location. It's all about treating the customer right, and if you do that they'll keep coming back to

With all the talk about the troubles facing the automobile industry in general (American Honda Motor Co., Inc., posted November sales of 76,233, a decline of 31.6 percent, compared to record November 2007 results. American Honda year-to-date sales of 1,342,680 represent a 5.8 percent decrease, based on the daily selling rate, though monthly Honda Pilot sales increased 4.5 percent to 5,601), how is Honda Gallery able to build a new facility in the current economy?

"The facility was in the plans before all this took place," said Fraiffer. "It is a difficult time to be doing all this, with everything that is going on. The ownership group came to me and asked for my projections for the coming months. I told them it's very difficult to know where this market is going, but I based the projections on how I feel the new location is going to do, and traffic I feel it will bring in, as well as the reputation this place has. We hope we will do well at that new location, but we'll have to see what happens with the economy. Only time will tell."

And how does someone who works for a company like Honda feel when he hears discussions involving a possible bailout of the 'Big Three'?

"Honda is a very good product, and it basically sells itself," said Fraiffer. "How do I feel about Ford, Chevy and GMC getting bailed out? To be honest with you, if they built the right product from the beginning they wouldn't be in this predicament. If their vehicles would last a little bit longer, be more reliable, I think the value would be higher. Honda knows its vehicles can be resold very easily. It's tough for the Big Three right now, because they don't hold their value very well."

Though the company isn't located in Reading yet, Fraiffer has already begun getting involved in that community. Honda Gallery was a major sponsor of this year's Festival of Trees in Reading, and if someone purchases a new or used vehicle and mentions the Reading Technology and Education Fund, Honda Gallery will donate \$100 to the fund to help local schools.

"I'm a strong believer in giving something back to the community," said Fraiffer. "We've talked to many organizations, and I've told them that we will donate and support them, as long as we can also promote our name. We're doing lots of things within the community already. I don't mind selling something at net cost, as long as it's putting something back into the community. I'm a strong believer in helping out the people who are your customers."

The key to Honda Gallery's success at its new location will be not only attracting new customers, but keeping the ones that have been so loyal over the years.

"We have a lot of repeat customers, and right now it's all about keeping them," said Fraiffer. "It's a buyer's market right now. They can go anywhere they want to purchase or service a car. Just in this area, you can hit five Honda dealerships. If you treat the customer right, use good numbers and stay away from the other stuff right from the start, hopefully they will keep coming back. Go over the numbers, but make sure you go over the vehicle as well. Make sure they understand the features, and make sure that the vehicle is the right one that suits their needs."

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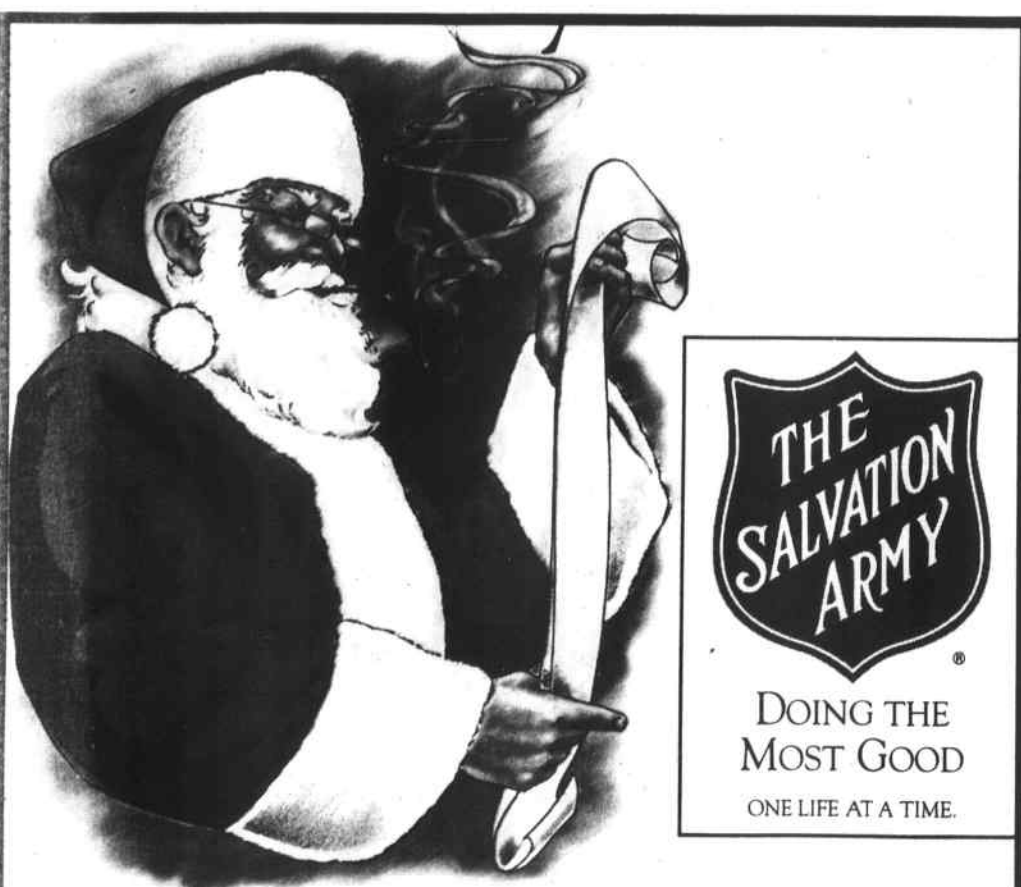
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Unfortunately in these tough times, some local underprivileged children will be left out of experiencing the Joy of Christmas. "Having a young daughter myself, and understanding how exciting Christmas is for her, it feels great knowing that we will be putting a lot of smiles on the faces of local children this holiday season" says Internet Director Todd Cole. "This years Toy Drive gives us the opportunity to really make a difference."

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While some might suggest this longer life expectancy is a product of people taking better care of themselves, others might say it's due in large part to advances in medicine.

Whatever the reason, it's obvious more and more seniors are living longer lives, and many are hoping to add even more miles to their odometers. One way to do just that is through exercise. But for seniors who haven't hit the gym in a while, starting an exercise regimen can be an intimidating, if not confusing, experience. Seniors looking to make exercise a regular part of their lives should consider the following tips along the way.

* Seek medical advice: The first thing you should do, even before lacing up your first sneaker, is visit a doctor. Each individual is different, and a doctor will let you know what you, personally, should and should not be doing as you begin a new exercise regimen. In addition, a checkup could reveal problems you might not be aware of.

* Recognize limitations: If you have not lifted a weight or run a step in 20 years, you're not going to be able to simply pick up where you left off. Recognizing your physical limitations is paramount to the success of your new program. For seniors, the point of exercise is not to become a pinup guy or girl, but to get healthy or maintain existing health. Set realistic goals and acknowledge what you can and cannot do.

* Choose an enjoyable program: Choose an exercise program you know you will enjoy. An enjoyable program will encourage participation and increase the likelihood that you'll stick with it. Whether it's a daily walk with friends or a structured workout at the local gym with a trainer, the program you choose should be one you look forward to, and not one you see as a necessary evil.

* Take it easy: Whenever a new program is started, be it by a teenager, professional athlete or senior citizen, the temptation to overdo it is omnipresent. However, flying out of the gates is a great way to get hurt, particularly if you do not yet know your physical limitations. Take it slow as you begin a workout, and make a daily journal of what you do at the beginning. That way, should you encounter any aches or pains, you can always look at the journal or share it with your physician or trainer to determine

what might be the root of the problem. As you grow accustomed to physical activity, you can then make adjustments to your routine accordingly.

* Do your homework on facilities: You may, especially if you are retired, prefer to workout during the mid-morning hours when kids are in school and working professionals are at the office. That can make choosing a gym easier for you than it is for students or professionals.

However, when looking for the right facility, do your homework and find a gym that has all that you want. Some gyms, for example, heavily emphasize weight training, and don't offer other amenities such as racquetball courts or a swimming pool. Find a gym that best fits your needs. Many gyms offer free passes for up to a week so prospective customers can get a better grasp of what the gym has to offer. Take advantage of this common practice when choosing a facility.

* Make stretching a regular part of your regimen: Young or old, stretching is an integral part of any successful workout routine. For seniors, however, stretching becomes especially important, as you are more susceptible to injury than you were in your more youthful days. Stretching helps prevent muscle pulls and other injuries, and should be done both before and after a workout.

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When you think of long snowy nights just picture sipping hot chocolate by the cozy fireplace that boasts a wood pellet stove. A economical way to help heat as well as protecting the environment.

The country kitchen has beautiful stainless top of the line appliances. The floor plan allows for a great eat-in area and also has a built-in hutch. A full brick wall is the perfect backdrop that adds to the appeal.

The living room is very versatile in that you can make two separate living areas. A dining room, a music area, a reading area or just suit it to your own personal style. Wood floors and a bookcase enhance the feel of this room.

A full bath on the first floor is a wonderful bonus. A pedestal sink with pretty decor is a delight!

The 22 foot long enclosed front porch add wonderful living space. This soothing and calming space is sanctuary like. This is wonderful entertaining space. The sun floods the space with light and warmth. Bring your own ideas on how best to utilize for your individual needs.

The back staircase brings you to the quaint and cozy three bedrooms on the second floor that are filled with character and charm.



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The great surprise is newer "SPA" type bathrooms with all highend fixtures, the custom vanity, matching mirror, lighting, separate tiled shower and gorgeous floor. A special, but much appreciated, feature is the laundry area that was well designed in this bath. This is the ultimate!

The property is loaded with curb appeal. Extensive landscaping, plantings and flowers are evident even for early winter. A stone patio and fire pit were added for outdoor enjoyment. Think Summer!! a above ground pool for long lazy days. The detached 2 car garage is ideal for a contractor who is looking for space and storage or has the potential to be reconfigured to suit most any needs.

Other improvements and updates within the last 4-5 years are roof shingles, heating system, hot water heater, electric panel boxes, including new one in the garage, plumbings as needed, most windows, vinyl siding and a complete radon mitigation system.

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15 HOLDEN AVE was sold to Jaron J. Frieden by Colleen E. & David J. Cox for \$440,000
45 NETWORK DR was sold to Palomar Medical Tech Inc by Netview 7-10 LLC for \$10,680,000
18 WESTWOOD ST was sold to Cathryn Szekely & Claudio Corsi by Jaron J. & Tanya M. Frieden for \$625,000
4 WINN VALLEY DR was sold to Jonathan W. Fitzgerald & Penelope J. Mahy by Maneesha R. & Ramakant N. Dhond for \$456,500

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22 BLUEJAY RD was sold to Paul F. & Karin J. White by Ronald J. & Theresa J. Pizzicone for \$829,900
428 BROADWAY was sold to Iceberg Isle LLC by DLJ Mortgage Capital Inc for \$335,000
227 SUMMER ST was sold to Mastal Dev LLC by Trinity Bapt Chrch & Trulife Christian for \$500,000

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44 LAKESIDE BLVD was sold to Jolanta Sudbay & Zabil Galloway by Pamela J. Colburne & Pennianne Mullarky for \$259,900
50 MOUNT VERNON ST #26 was sold to James A. Shear & Lorraine Krugman by Mount Vernon N Read LLC for \$518,000
226 NORTH ST was sold to Mary-joan Pelletier by Melissa A. Higgins & Melissa A. Koster for \$335,000

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73 CAUSEWAY RD was sold to Heather A. Ballantyne by Lisa J. Mustone-Lever for \$299,900
112 JOHNSON WOODS DR #102 was sold to Redstone Realty LLC by Johnson Woods Realty for \$500,000
121 JOHNSON WOODS DR was sold to Redstone Realty LLC by Johnson Woods Realty for \$725,000
11 LINE RD was sold to Luis Vaquerano & Roxianne Cairns by Adriann Fonstein & Adriann Lipper for \$305,000
55 PASTURE RD was sold to Emily C. & Nicholas P. Bateman by 55 Pasture Rd Read MA T & Cheryl Rossilli for \$725,000
19 PITMAN DR was sold to Carmine M. & Stacy Mazzarella by Arthur S. Laurilliard for \$386,000
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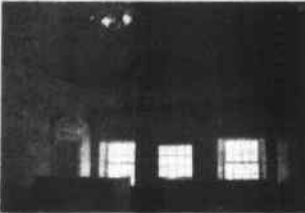
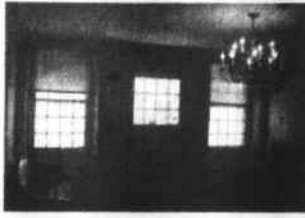
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